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MEMBERSHIP.

Membership in the Society may be had only upon recommendation of the Executive Committee. There is no entrance fee. Life membership, free from all dues, is five hundred dollars; annual membership twenty-five dollars. These payments carry with them the right to hold office, to vote, and take part in the proceedings of the Society; to the use of the Library and Reading-room; to admission to all lectures and entertainments, and to a copy of the Society's current publications.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of Illinois, February 7th, 1857, the sum of

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CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, it is conducive to the public good of a State to encourage such institutions as have for their object to collect and preserve the memorials of its founders and benefactors, as well as the historical evidences of its progress in settlement and population, and in the arts, improvements, and institutions which distinguish a civilized community, and to transmit the same for the instruction and benefit of future generations:

SECTION I. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly*, That William H. Brown, William B. Ogden, J. Young Scammon, Mason Brayman, Mark Skinner, Geo. Manierre, John H. Kinzie, J. V. Z. Blaney, E. I. Tinkham, J. D. Webster, W. A. Smallwood, V. H. Higgins, N. S. Davis, Charles H. Ray, S. D. Ward, M. D. Ogden, F. Scammon, E. B. McCagg, and William Barry, all of the City of Chicago, who have associated for the purpose aforesaid, be and are hereby formed into and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the "CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY," and that they and their successors, and such others as shall be legally elected by them as their associates, shall be and continue a body politic and corporate, by that name, forever.

SEC. 2. Said Society shall have power to elect a President, and all necessary officers, and shall have one common seal, and the same may break, change and renew at pleasure; and, as a body politic and corporate, by the name aforesaid, may sue and be sued, and prosecute and defend suits, both in law and equity, to final judgment and execution.

SEC. 3. The said Society shall have power to make all orders and by-laws for governing its members and property, not repugnant to the laws of this State; and may expel, disfranchise, or suspend any member, who, by his misconduct, shall be rendered unworthy, or who shall neglect or refuse to observe the rules and by-laws of this Society.

SEC. 4. The said Society may, from time to time, establish rules for electing officers and members, and also times and places for holding meetings; and is hereby

empowered to take and hold real or personal estate, by gift, grant, devise, or purchase, or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, to alien and convey.

SEC. 5. The said Society shall have power to elect corresponding and honorary members thereof, in the various parts of this State and of the several United States, and also in foreign countries, at their discretion: *Provided*, however, that the number of resident members of said Society shall never exceed sixty; and William H. Brown, or any other person named in this act, is hereby authorized and empowered to notify and call together the first meeting of said Society; and the same Society, when met, shall agree upon a method for calling further meetings, and may have power to adjourn from time to time, as may be found necessary.

SEC. 6. Members of the Legislature of this State, in either branch, and Judges of the Supreme Court, and officers of State, shall and may have free access to said Society's library and cabinet.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, February 7, 1857.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, APPROVED FEBRUARY 7, 1857.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly*, That section five (5) of the act, to which this is an amendment, be so amended that said Society shall have power to increase the number of its resident members, from time to time, to any number that shall by it be deemed expedient.

SEC. 2. The said Society shall have power to borrow money and mortgage its real estate to secure the same, to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to be used in completing and paying for the buildings now in process of erection on the real estate of said Society. And the real estate and property of said Society shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 30, 1867.

CONSTITUTION.

Adopted, 1856.
Revised, November 29, 1870.
Amended, January 16, 1883.
Revised, November 21, 1893.
Amended, November 20, 1906.

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND OBJECTS.

This Society shall be called the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Its object shall be to institute and encourage historical inquiry, to collect and preserve the materials of history, and to spread historical information, especially concerning the Northwestern States.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. This Society shall be composed of Honorary Life, Life, Annual, Honorary, and Corresponding members, all of whom shall be elected by ballot only at a regular meeting of the Society, and only upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, unless, by unanimous consent, they shall be elected by a *viva-voce* vote cast at a regular meeting by twelve legally-qualified voters. Three adverse ballots or three dissenting votes shall reject the candidate.

SEC. 2. The dues for membership shall be as follows: For Life-Membership, five hundred dollars payable in money, or by services rendered or donations made, and publicly declared by resolution of the Executive Committee to exceed that amount in value to the Society: and for Annual Membership, twenty-five dollars per annum, the dues for the first fiscal year being payable within one month after election to membership and notice of such election; *provided*, that when such election shall occur after January first, the dues for the balance of said fiscal year shall be for the proportionate part of the twenty-five dollars, and payable within thirty days after such election and notice.

Persons who have heretofore made, or shall hereafter make, voluntary contribution of one thousand dollars or more to the Society's funds, or donations publicly declared by resolution of the Executive Committee to be of that value to the Society's collections, may be elected Honorary Life Members, upon recommendation of the Executive Committee.

The President and Secretary shall issue a Diploma, under seal of the Society, and certifying the class of membership, to each member elected, upon payment of the dues.

SEC. 3. The right to hold office and vote, and to take any part in the proceedings of the Society, shall be accorded to and may be exercised only by the members of the three classes first hereinbefore named.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, and an Executive Committee, consisting of the President of the Society, *ex-officio*, who shall be the chairman thereof, and eight others, all of which aforenamed officers shall be members of the Society, and also a Treasurer, a Librarian, and a Secretary.

SEC. 2. The President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected by ballot at the annual meetings for one year, and shall respectively remain in office until the election of their successors.

They shall perform such duties as are common to such officers or as may be prescribed in the By-Laws. Vacancies occurring from any cause in any of these offices may be filled by ballot at any special meeting, notice of such election being given in the notice of such meeting.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meetings, two members of which shall, from the time of the first election hereunder, hold their office until the next annual election of officers; two of them until the second such election; two of them until the third such election; and two of them until the fourth such election. The terms for which the first members so chosen at the first election shall hold their office, shall be determined by lot immediately after such election.

SEC. 4. At each annual meeting thereafter there shall be elected by ballot two persons to fill the places vacant by the expiration of the term of those heretofore elected as members of the Executive Committee, and of those who shall hereafter be elected such members.

On the expiration of the term of any of the members of said committee, their successors shall be elected by ballot for the term of four years.

Vacancies in the Executive Committee during an unexpired term, caused by death, resignation, removal from office, or inability to act, may be filled by a majority of the remaining members of said committee, until the succeeding annual election, at which time such vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as members of said committee are elected for the full term of their office.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee, constituted above, shall alone hold, manage, administer, and control all the money, property, effects, and affairs of the Society: and said committee may appoint a Treasurer, a Librarian, a Secretary, and such assistants and employes in the service of the Society as to said committee may seem fit; and may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of such officers, assistants and employes; and said committee may make investments of the Society's funds, *provided* that no fund bequeathed to or held by the Society for a specific purpose shall be appropriated to or used for any other purpose, and *provided* further that said committee shall not incur any liability on the part of said Society in any one year which shall exceed its annual income; and it shall be the duty of said committee to make an annual report to the Society of all its acts and doings.

ARTICLE IV.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business relating to the affairs of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of November in each year, and the fiscal year of the Society shall begin with the first day of November in each year and end with the thirty-first day of the following October.

SEC. 2. The regular meetings shall be held at such times and conducted in such manner as shall be pre-

scribed in the By-Laws and directed by the Executive Committee, provided no such regular meeting shall occur at the same time with the annual meeting.

SEC. 3. At the annual meetings not less than twelve members having the right to vote, and at the special business meetings not less than seven such members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. Special meetings and special business meetings may be called by the President, or, in case of his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, of which due notice shall be given at least two days beforehand.

ARTICLE V.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote at any annual or special meeting; *provided* that a printed or written copy of the proposed alterations or amendments shall have accompanied the notice of the meeting at which they shall be acted upon; and *provided* further that not less than twelve members having the right to vote shall be present when such vote is taken.

BY-LAWS.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. I. SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Committee, and call such special meetings and special business meetings as he may deem necessary, or as he may, in writing, be requested to call by five members of the Society.

SEC. 2. The Vice-Presidents in the order of their seniority, shall perform the duties of the President in the case of the absence of the President from the meetings of the Society or from Chicago.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee may adopt such rules for their own action not in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, as they may find most convenient and necessary.

SEC. 4. All nominations to membership shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, and reported upon by them to the Society.

MEETINGS.

ART. II. SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of each of the following named months, to-wit: January, April and October.

SEC. 2. The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of November, the precise hour in the case of this and all other meetings of the Society being designated by the President and stated in the notice of the meeting.

SEC. 3. The exercises of the regular and special meetings of the Society shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, and in general conformity with the objects of the Society.

SEC. 4. The order of business at the special business meetings of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the next preceding business meeting.
2. Reports of Officers.
3. Reports of Committees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Deferred business.
6. New business.

SEC. 5. The order of business at the annual meeting of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the next preceding meeting.
2. Reports of Officers.
3. Reports of Committees and Trustees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Deferred business.
7. New business.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. III. SECTION 1. The dues of the annual members of the Society shall be payable annually in advance on the third Tuesday of November in each year.

SEC. 2. Should the dues of any member remain unpaid for the space of one month, the Executive Committee shall notify him in writing, that unless his dues are paid within one month from the date of such notice his membership shall cease, and unless such dues are paid

pursuant to such notice, or such default is accounted for to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, such person shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Society.

SUSPENSION AND AMENDMENTS.

ART. IV. The By-Laws in whole or in part may be suspended during any special business or annual meeting, by vote of a majority of the members present at any such meeting. The By-Laws may be amended on the same conditions prescribed for amending the Constitution.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

November 16, 1909.

The fifty-third annual meeting of the Chicago Historical Society was held in the Reading-Room of the Society's Building at eight o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, November 16, 1909, pursuant to notice given, as provided by its Constitution.

The most interesting if not the most important occasion of the year was the Society's Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln. In this connection the Society was the recipient, by donation, of many unique additions to its Lincolniana; original letters and manuscripts by Lincoln; also portraits in oil and photograph, bronze and plaster; a lock of his hair; and other personal mementos. These donations, together with an exceedingly large collection of similar material loaned by our members, and also liberal selections from the Society's already rich collection of Lincolniana, were installed as a special exhibit during the entire week of February 8-13, and the Reading-Room was virtually transformed into a Lincoln Memorial Museum. Many hundreds of visitors, including scores of school children and students, thronged the Building and had opportunity to view and examine the mementos of the Great Emancipator. On the evening of the Annual Meeeting the Special Exhibit of noteworthy accessions during the year, which according to recent custom had been arranged by the Librarian and the House Committee, consisted principally of selections from the Lincolniana, and they were studied with much interest and admiration by the members in attendance.

Another interesting event of the year was the election of Theodore Roosevelt to Honorary Membership in the So-

ciety. The Executive Committee had for some time considered the election of Mr. Roosevelt to such membership on account of his literary and other services in the field of Northwestern History rather than his exalted official position. Prior to the donation by Mr. Lytton of an oil portrait of Mr. Roosevelt, President Head, on behalf of the Committee, wrote tendering him such membership and asking whether it would be accepted, and received in reply a cordial letter from Mr. Roosevelt, expressing his pleasure and his recognition of the honor, and referring in complimentary terms to the work of the Society. This letter is framed and hangs under his portrait in the Reading-Room.

The Reports of the Executive Committee and of the Librarian, presented herewith, mention with considerable detail the accessions for the year, describing at some length the most important of them, and giving a complete itemized list of all the donations, with the names of the donors. The reading of these Reports should prove not only entertaining but instructive to the members, as constituting the only source from which in condensed form they can learn to what extent and with what zeal the work of the Society is being carried on, and the richness of the additions which are being made to its Collections. Beyond question the Society possesses in its Library, Portrait Gallery, and Museum, the richest collection in existence of priceless muniments of the History of Chicago and its surrounding country.

The meeting was called to order by President Head at half past eight o'clock; and on motion of Dr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Fuller, Mr. Kerfoot was appointed Secretary of the Meeting.

The following members were present: Clarence A. Burley, Charles Edward Cheney, Nathan S. Davis, Thomas Dent, Albert Dickinson, Julius Frankel, Lucius J. Fisher, William A. Fuller, George H. Fergus, Charles F. Gunther, Franklin H. Head, Samuel H. Kerfoot, Jr., George Merryweather, Seymour Morris,

Walter C. Newberry, LaVerne W. Noyes, Henry H. Porter, Henry H. Porter, Jr., William P. Rend, Edward L. Ryerson, Fred M. Schmidt, Otto L. Schmidt, Richard E. Schmidt, William C. Seipp, David S. Wegg; also the Librarian.

The first order of business being the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting, Mr. Burley moved, seconded by Mr. Merryweather, that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with, as the proceedings had been published in the 1908 Year-Book and distributed among the members; there being no objection, it was so ordered by The President.

The next order of business was Reports of Officers, the originals of which were on the Secretary's table; they had been printed in pamphlet form and were distributed among the members present. The President stated that unless the reading of them was called for, it would be dispensed with, and it was so ordered.

The Secretary of the Meeting then presented the Executive Committee's Report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For the Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1909.

To the Members of the Chicago Historical Society:

Gentlemen:—The Executive Committee, in conformity with the Society's Constitution, has the honor to submit its Annual Report as follows:

FUNDS.

The Society's funds consist of ten special funds and a general fund.

The Henry D. Gilpin Fund ($66,699.99, as per their report) is under the exclusive care and management of

trustees appointed under the will of HENRY D. GILPIN. The income from this fund, as paid to the Society by said trustees, is applied entirely to the maintenance of the Gilpin Library. The present trustees are EUGENE H. FISHBURN, CLARENCE A. BURLEY, WALTER L. FISHER and ERSKINE M. PHELPS, and the President and First Vice-President of the Society, *ex officiis*. A full statement of the fund is given in the report of these trustees, presented herewith on page 235.

THE JONATHAN BURR FUND consists of a legacy of $2,000 from the late Jonathan Burr, the income to be used in payment of printing the Society's publications. It is invested in a cottage and twenty-one lots in the Town of Calumet, acquired in settlement of a note secured by trust deed on said lots. Necessary repairs on the cottage and taxes on the property were advanced out of the General Fund and these are in part still due that fund. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908		$ 3.28
Advanced by General Fund for repairs and taxes	$36.40	
Balance due General Fund, Oct. 31, 1909		33.12
	$36.40	$36.40

THE PHILO CARPENTER FUND consists of a legacy of $1,000 from the late Philo Carpenter, the income to be devoted to binding books and periodicals. It is invested in a $1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$ 76.81	
Received interest on bonds	50.00	
		$126.81
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909		$126.81

THE T. MAURO GARRETT FUND consists of $1,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late T. Mauro Garrett, and is invested in a $1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$ 2.50	
Received interest on bonds	50.00	
		$52.50
Paid into General Fund		$52.50

The Huntington Wolcott Jackson Fund is a bequest of $1,000 from the late Huntington W. Jackson. It is invested in a $1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The following statement shows the condition of the fund:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$156.14	
Received interest on bond	50.00	
		$206.14
Paid into General Fund on account of books purchased		100.00
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909		$106.14

The Lucretia Pond Fund, being the proceeds of a bequest of real estate to the Society by Lucretia Pond, consists of a principal of $13,500, the income to be used in the purchase of books, pamphlets and documents, or pictures and paintings of historical interest. The fund is now invested in:

Four $1,000 four and one-half per cent South Side Elevated Railway Company's bonds.

Eight $1,000 five per cent People's Gas Light and Coke Company's Refunding bonds.

One $500 four per cent Atchison, Topeka and Sante Fé Railroad Company's bond.

One $1,000 four per cent first mortgage Metropolitan Elevated West Side Railway Company's bond.

The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$646.01	
Received interest on bonds	640.00	
		$1,286.01
Paid into General Fund on account of books purchased	220.00	
Paid for books and periodicals.....	58.88	278.88
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909		$1,007.13

The Elizabeth Hammond Stickney Fund consists of $5,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late Elizabeth Hammond Stickney, as a memorial to her husband, Edward Swan Stickney, the income to be used in maintaining the Stickney Library and making additions thereto. It is in-

vested in five $1,000 general mortgage, four per cent bonds of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$632.80	
Received interest on bonds	200.00	
		$832.80
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909		$832.80

The Lucretia J. Tilton Fund consists of $3,000, bequeathed to the Society by the late Lucretia Jane Tilton, as a memorial to her husband, Lucian J. Tilton. It is invested in three $1,000 five per cent bonds of the Chicago City Railway Company. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$ 4.17	
Received interest on bonds.....	150.00	
		$154.17
Paid into General Fund.....		$154.17

The Elias T. Watkins Fund consists of $5,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late Elias T. Watkins. The full amount is invested in five $1,000 five per cent bonds of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908	$ 2.50	
Received interest on bonds.....	250.00	
		$252.50
Paid into General Fund.....		$252.50

The Henry J. Willing Fund consists of $2,500 bequeathed to the Society by the late Henry Jenkens Willing. The full amount is invested in two $1,000 City of Mobile, Ala., four and one-half per cent bonds, and one $500 four per cent bond of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company. The following account shows the condition of this fund:

Received interest on bonds.....	$110.00	
Paid into General Fund		$110.00

The General Fund, from which the general expenditures of the Society are made, is derived principally from the annual dues of members, together with such gifts as are made from time to time without special restrictions. The account of this fund stands as follows:

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1908...	$1,433.97	
Dues from annual members.....	4,114.00	
Trustees of Gilpin Fund.....	2,221.90	
Donation from Dr. O. L. Schmidt, cost of publishing Vol. 5, Collection	700.00	
Donations	55.00	
Received from Burr Fund on account taxes and repairs.....	3.28	
Received from Garrett, Tilton, Watkins and Willing Funds..	569.17	
Received from Jackson Fund, for purchase of books	100.00	
Received from Pond Fund, for purchase of books.....	220.00	
Interest and other sources.....	224.71	
		$9,642.03

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$4,106.75	
Repairs and betterments	559.91	
Printing Vol. 5, Collection	700.00	
Printing lectures, invitations, etc...	462.91	
Editing Polk Diary	400.00	
Books and periodicals	320.00	
Repairs and taxes on Burr Fund property	3.28	
General expenses	2,067.77	
Cash on hand, Oct. 31, 1909.....	1,021.41	
		$9,642.03

TRIAL BALANCE.

October 31, 1909.

	Dr.	Cr.
General Fund		$227,021.41
Jonathan Burr Fund		2,000.00
Philo Carpenter Fund		1,126.81
T. Mauro Garrett Fund		1,000.00
Henry D. Gilpin Fund		66,699.99
Huntington W. Jackson Fund		1,106.14
Lucretia Pond Fund		14,507.13
Elizabeth H. Stickney Fund		5,832.80
Lucretia J. Tilton Fund		3,000.00
Elias T. Watkins Fund		5,000.00
Henry J. Willing Fund		2,500.00
Bills receivable	$ 1,000.00	
Bonds	32,000.00	
*Real Estate	227,000.00	
Trustees Henry D. Gilpin Fund	66,699,99	
Cash	3,094.29	
	$329,794.28	$329,794.28

*Society's Building and Land.....$225,000
Burr Fund lots 2,000

DIGEST OF TRIAL BALANCE.

FUND	Cash	Bills Rec'bl.	Bonds	Real Estate	Trustees Gilpin Fund	Totals
General	$1,021.41	$1,000		$225,000		$227,021.41
Jonathan Burr				2,000		2,000.00
Philo Carpenter	126.81		$ 1,000			1,126.81
T. Mauro Garrett			1,000			1,000.00
Henry D. Gilpin					$66,699.99	66,699.99
Huntington W. Jackson	106.14		1,000			1,106.14
Lucretia Pond	1,007.13		13,500			14,507.13
Elizabeth H. Stickney	832.80		5,000			5,832.80
Lucretia J. Tilton			3,000			3,000.00
Elias T. Watkins			5,000			5,000.00
Henry J. Willing			2,500			2,500.00
Totals	$3,094.29	$1,000	$32,000	$227,000	$66,699.99	$329,794.28

The Treasurer's Report is appended, and appears on pages 236–237.

November 5, 1909.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Chicago Historical Society and of Orson Smith, its Treasurer, for the year ending October 31, 1909, the vouchers for every disbursement, and the securities in the custody of the Treasurer, and that we find the same correct and as reported.

Walter C. Newberry,
Charles F. Gunther,
Edward L. Ryerson,
Auditing Committee.

The Executive Committee is again able to report, as it has annually for the last seven years, that the Society is *entirely free from debt*; that all of its trust funds are intact and safely invested in interest bearing securities, and that there is no matured interest in arrears. The reports of the Treasurer and the Gilpin Trustees, presented herewith, show the condition of the Society's several Endowment Funds. As required by the Society's Constitution, the income from these Funds is being expended only in the several branches of the Society's work for which they were respectively established.

The trial balance shows a cash balance on hand slightly larger than at the time of the last annual report. This fact is due to the rigid economy of the Executive Committee and not to any increase in the Society's income, and is in spite of the considerable expenditures for "Repairs and Betterments" on the Society's Building.

The scope of the Society's work during the past year has been perhaps the broadest since it was founded, and there have come to its Collections many accessions of unusual value and importance. The Society's influence has been more widely felt and its assistance more generally sought than ever before. The Librarian's Report illustrates these facts and elaborates them with considerable detail, and the Executive Committee hopes that that Report may prove to the members what the Society and its Library stand for in this community and in the intellectual world.

The Executive Committee appreciates, more perhaps than do the members, the exalted position of the Society among kindred institutions and its great value to this community. The Committee also realizes that the Society

should be of far greater value, and that it *would* be if its funds were materially increased. The annual membership should be at least doubled to augment the Society's income from dues, and its endowment should be multiplied many fold.

The Executive Committee believes that its appeals in the past have borne fruit during the year in bringing to its annual membership the sons of several of its early members, and these gentlemen are doubly welcome. Death has largely depleted our ranks of the pioneer members who with zeal and loyalty gave of their time and their means, and labored diligently during its early years for the founding of the Society, and building it up to its present splendid proportions. It was doubtless their hope and intention that its invaluable work should be regarded as a priceless heritage to be carried on and perpetuated by their descendants from generation to generation. More of such descendants should become active members of the Society. There are other hundreds of citizens, both men and women, who though not of Chicago parentage should be proud, and would doubtless be glad, to join the Society and be identified with its work. There are many who would come to its financial aid with liberal donations and bequests if they could be made to appreciate the great mission which the Society is fulfilling.

The Executive Committee does not hesitate to publish and reiterate the fact of the Society's pecuniary needs, nor will it feel justified in ceasing to do so until the necessity has been removed. The Committee, therefore, in the interest of the Society appeals to the members to aid it in at least doubling the membership, and thus enabling the Society to greatly extend its usefulness and enlarge its sphere of influence to greater proportions.

The Executive Committee again repeats its expression of the Society's gratitude for the bequests and assistance of its benefactors in the past. Their gifts were generous; their example worthy of emulation. Their names constitute the Roll of Honor in the city's history which should inspire the present generation to emulate the example thus set and to put the Society upon so firm a financial foundation as to permanently insure its taking and holding the rank of which it is so eminently worthy among the institutions of our city and country.

MEETINGS.

On November 17, 1908, the Annual Meeting of the Society was held in the Reading-Room and is reported in full in the Year-Book for 1908.

On November 24, 1908, at a special meeting of the Society, held in the Lecture Hall, Judge Edward Osgood Brown, a member of the Society, delivered an address on "Stephen Arnold Douglas." Judge Brown has spent much time in collecting material concerning this able Illinoisian in the preparation of his biography of Douglas recently published.

On Tuesday evening, December 8, 1908, at 8 o'clock, the Society tendered a reception to its members and invited guests upon the occasion of the presentation by Henry C. Lytton of a life-size oil portrait of Theodore Roosevelt by August Benziger of Switzerland. A large and enthusiastic audience was present to listen to Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, who made the presentation address on behalf of Mr. Lytton. The name of Theodore Roosevelt previously recommended by the Executive Committee for election by the Society to Honorary Membership, was presented and he was unanimously elected. A characteristically cordial letter from President Roosevelt accepting membership in the Society was read before the meeting. The portrait which has been assigned to the north wall of the Reading-Room represents the President standing, and portrays him in all the forceful vigor of the living man. It has been pronounced by many an admirable likeness.

On January 15, 1909, at a special meeting held in the Lecture Hall, the Society inaugurated its celebration of the Centenary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln with an illustrated lecture by Mr. William Webster Ellsworth, Secretary of the Century Company, entitled, "Abraham Lincoln: Boy and Man." The lecturer gave to his audience the fruit of many years of thought and research both in anecdote and illustration. In the latter Mr. Ellsworth was particularly fortunate in being able to show to his audience many unique treasures from such collections of Lincolniana as Major Lambert's, of Philadelphia; and by permission of the publishers of Nicolay and Hay's and

Miss Tarbell's biographies of Lincoln some of their original illustrations were used. The result was a wonderful wealth of material regarding Lincoln, especially concerning his early years in Illinois. This meeting attracted a large audience, many of whom remembered with pleasure Mr. Ellsworth's lecture before the Society some years ago, entitled, "From Lexington to Yorktown."

On February 12, 1909, the Society held a special meeting in commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln, which was attended by an audience that taxed the capacity of the Lecture Hall, many having been turned away for lack of room. The speaker of the evening was Colonel Clark E. Carr, of Galesburg, Illinois, whose subject was "Lincoln at Gettysburg." Colonel Carr was present at the dedication of the Gettysburg National Cemetery as delegate from Illinois, and occupied a seat on the platform not far from Mr. Lincoln when he uttered those immortal words. During the course of his address he recited the Gettysburg Speech as he remembered it spoken by President Lincoln, imitating his manner and voice, which is said by those who knew Lincoln to be quite remarkable in its faithfulness to the original. As guests of honor upon this occasion, the Society invited the following persons, many of them contemporaries of Lincoln, to sit upon the platform during the exercises, but owing to Lincoln celebrations in Springfield and in their home cities to which they had previously been asked to act in a similar capacity, most of them were unable to be present. General Augustus L. Chetlain, of Galena, Ill.; Hon. Charles S. Deneen, Springfield, Ill.; General Martin D. Hardin, Chicago; Hon. T. J. Henderson, of Princeton, Ill.; President Harry Pratt Judson, of the University of Chicago; Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, Chicago; Richard Price Morgan, of Dwight, Ill.; Daniel W. Munn, of Bloomington, Ill.; General Alfred Orendorff, Springfield, Ill.; Hon. James H. Roberts, of Chicago; Paul Selby, Chicago; Benjamin F. Shaw, Dixon, Ill.; Reuben G. Thwaites, of Madison, Wis.; Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber, Springfield, Ill., and Jesse W. Weik, of Greencastle, Ind. It is a matter of regret that more of those who were personally associated with Lincoln during his life in Illinois could not be present, but their presence graced other similar assemblies all to the honor of Abraham Lincoln.

After the address the guests of the Society were entertained by viewing the exhibits of Lincolniana arranged in the Reading-Room. This exhibit was probably the most elaborate made in Chicago in commemoration of the Great Emancipator's birth. It is most gratifying to the Executive Committee to record the hearty coöperation both on the part of other institutions of the city as well as individuals to make this exhibition worthy of its great subject. The Librarian's Report describes these exhibits with much detail and includes a catalogue of the articles loaned to the Society for the occasion, and the Executive Committee hereby confirms the expressions of the Society's gratitude contained in that report.

Tuesday evening, March 16, 1909, the Society held a special meeting in the Lecture Hall at which Dr. Charles B. Reed delivered an address, entitled, "Masters of the Wilderness: A Study of the Hudson's Bay Company from its Origin to Modern Times." Dr. Reed's paper was based upon personal observations made during repeated visits to numerous posts of the Hudson's Bay Company, supplemented by extensive research work extending over many years. He carried his audience through all the phases of that great company's history treating it from its commercial, political and romantic standpoints. This paper is the next pamphlet in the Society's series of Proceedings and has just been received from the printer.

On the evening of Friday, May 21, 1909, the German-American Historical Society of Illinois held a meeting in the Chicago Historical Society's Building to which all members of the latter Society were invited. The address was by Prof. Hjalmar Rued Holand, of Ephraim, Wis., curator of the Sons of Norway Historical Archives. His subject was "The Oldest Document of American History, A Runestone of Scandinavian Origin Found in Central Minnesota and Dating from the Year 1362." His discourse was exceedingly entertaining and the stone, which was on exhibition, was examined with interest by all present, and has since attracted the attention of the press all over the country.

On Tuesday evening, June 15, 1909, the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Death of James Knox Polk, the Society held a special meeting in the Lecture Hall at 8 o'clock to listen to an address entitled "The Obscuration of James

K. Polk," by Mr. M. M. Quaife, of Lewis Institute. Mr. Quaife has made a deep study of the life and times of James K. Polk and was able from the fund of information gathered from his researches to give a very comprehensive account of President Polk's administration. Mr. Quaife is now engaged in the work of editing and perparing the Polk Diary for publication by the Society.

On Tuesday evening, October 26, 1909, at 8 o'clock, the Society held a special meeting in the Lecture Hall at which Mrs. Mary Ridpath Mann, daughter of John Clark Ridpath, the historian, gave an illustrated lecture upon "The Religion of the Red Man (The Snake Dance)."

MEMBERSHIP.

The additions to the Society's roll of membership during the year, including those elected this evening are, one Honorary, one Honorary Life, thirteen Annual, and six Corresponding Members, as follows:

HONORARY MEMBER.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER.

JOSEPH HARRIS

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

PAUL BLATCHFORD
JOHN VAUGHAN CLARKE
ROBERT K. COBLE
RENSSELAER W. COX
WESTON ARTHUR GOODSPEED
CHALKLEY JAY HAMBLETON
WILLIAM HOLABIRD
WILLIAM DICKSON MCILVAINE
SEYMOUR MORRIS
LUCIUS JAMES OTIS
HENRY H. PORTER, JR.
CHARLES F. SPALDING
MARK SKINNER WILLING

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

ELEANOR ATKINSON
EDWARD OSGOOD BROWN
SAMUEL LOCKWOOD BROWN
ELIAS COLBERT
HARRY ELLSWORTH COLE
JOSIAH SEYMOUR CURREY

During the year one Annual Member has been transferred to Honorary Life Membership, two to Corresponding Membership, and four have resigned. Death has taken from us one Honorary Life Member, five Annual Members, one Honorary Member and four Corresponding Members.

Following is a summary of the present membership by classes:

Honorary Life Members	16
Life Members	18
Annual Members	179
Honorary Members	11
Corresponding Members	111
	335

The following members who have died, or of whose death information has been received during the past year, are now transferred from the active list to the ever-lengthening roll of deceased members. Among them are numbered not only some of the older members but several still in the prime of life.

General John Watts de Peyster, Corresponding Member since 1880, was born in New York City on March 9, 1821, the son of Frederic and Mary Watts De Peyster, of old Dutch and Scotch ancestry respectively. He received his education at private schools in New York City and at Columbia College. His natural bent was to a military career and he became one of the best authorities and writers upon military subjects of his day. However, he did not confine himself to this one line of study entirely. The versatility of his pen is shown in the long list of titles contributed by him to literature; among them some of the more important are: "The Decisive Conflicts of the Late Civil War;" "Leonard Torstenson;" "The Conflict Between Science and Religion;" "Centennial Sketches for 1880;" "Mary, Queen of Scots;" besides many other valuable historical monographs. He was an enthusiastic volunteer fireman in New York City and to his efforts in this connection is due the establishment of a paid Fire Department. He was early connected with the Militia of his native state, holding rank as Colonel of the troops of Dutchess and Columbia Counties. In recognition of his services in this

capacity Governor Hunt commissioned him Brigadier-General in May, 1851—the first appointment of its kind in that state. He was also made Military Agent to Europe with a view of obtaining further knowledge abroad for the improvement of the military system of this country. By "Concurrent Resolution" of both branches of the New York Legislature he was appointed Major-General by Brevet in the National Guard of the State of New York on October 25, 1867, for "meritorious services rendered to the National Guard and to the United States, prior to and during the Rebellion," the rank to date from April 20, 1862—a unique distinction. Although he was not actively engaged upon the field of war, his energy and intellect were devoted assiduously to the cause of the Union. The later years of his life were spent at his summer home, "Rose Hill," Tivoli, New York. He died on May 4, 1907.

Bernhard Felsenthal, whose Corresponding Membership in the Society dates back almost to its founding, being elected in 1863, died at his home in Chicago, January 12, 1908, at the age of 86 years. Dr. Felsenthal was the last of the American pioneer Reform Rabbis. He was born on January 2, 1822, in Muenchweiler, in the Rhenish Palatine and received his earlier education in his native town. He decided to prepare for the Bavarian Civil Service and with this end in view attended from 1836 to 1839 the "Kreisgewerbschule," in Kaiserlautern, and from 1839 to 1840 the Polytechnic High School in Munich. He gave up the idea of entering the service of the State and took up the study of rabbinical literature under the guidance of Rabbi Moses Cohen. Dr. Felsenthal taught in his native province until 1854, when he emigrated to America. For a few years he officiated as rabbi and teacher at Madison, Indiana, removing to Chicago in 1858, to take a position as clerk in Greenebaum's bank. Shortly after his arrival, the "Juedischer Reform-Verein" was organized, of which Dr. Felsenthal was a leading spirit. In June, 1861, Sinai Congregation of Chicago was organized, an offshoot of the Reform-Verein, which he served as rabbi until 1864, when he resigned to become the first rabbi of Zion Congregation. He officiated until 1887 in this capacity when the congregation elected him rabbi emeritus. For the next twenty years of his life he lived in peaceful retirement. He had conferred upon him by the Chicago University in

1868, the degree of Ph. D.; in 1902, he received the degree of D. D. from the Hebrew Theological Seminary, and in 1905 the degree of D. D. from the Jewish Theological Seminary. During his long life he published many valuable contributions to Jewish literature. He was one of the pioneers of Reform Judaism and made his influence felt in the growth of that movement. Dr. Felsenthal was one of the organizers of the American Jewish Historical Society and in 1900 one of its Vice-Presidents. In 1863, Dr. Felsenthal read a paper before this Society entitled, "Israelites in Chicago."

William Leete Stone, 2nd, Honorary Member since 1881, died on June 11, 1908, at his home at Mt. Vernon, N. Y. He was born in New York City, April 4, 1835, the son of William Leete and Susannah Prichard (Wayland) Stone. He entered Brown University but left before graduation to spend some months in Germany in acquiring a knowledge of the German language with a view to translating into English several important military works bearing upon our Revolutionary history. Returning in 1858 he was graduated from Brown University and in 1859 took the degree of LL. B. at the Albany Law School. He practised law at Saratoga Springs during the years 1860-63; and from 1864-67 was city editor of the New York Journal of Commerce. From 1870-74 he was editor and proprietor of the College Review, a paper published in the interests of American colleges. In 1876 he was appointed by the United States Centennial Commission at Philadelphia "Centennial Historian for the State of New York." He was secretary of the Saratoga Monument Association since its incorporation, and held memberships in many of the historical and other learned societies of this country. A list of his works on historical subjects would form a bibliography by itself. Among his more important ones are: "The Life and Times of Sir William Johnson, Bart.;" "Life and Writings of Col. William L. Stone;" "History of New York City;" "The Life of Gov. George Clinton;" "Letters and Journals of Mrs. General Riedesel;" "Life and Military Journals of Major General Riedesel," and many others, in addition to numerous articles contributed to historical magazines.

Luther Laflin Mills, an Annual Member since 1903, died at his home in Lake View on January 18, 1909. He

was born at North Adams, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, September 3, 1848, son of Walter N. Mills and Caroline J. Smith Mills. In 1849 his parents removed to Chicago and thereafter his life was closely identified with the history of this city. He first attended school in 1853-4 at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Randolph Street. In 1861 he entered the Chicago High School, afterward known as Central High School, and in 1865 graduated as valedictorian of his class. He matriculated in the University of Michigan in the fall of 1865, but left in 1868 to assist his father in his dry-goods store in this city. He early formed the determination to study law and all his leisure time was spent in pursuing his studies in this direction. He later traveled as a special collector for Field, Leiter and Company, and even while thus employed lost no opportunity to study. He read law in the office of Homer N. Hibbard and later in that of Robert E. Jenkins. Upon his admission to the Bar in 1871 he formed a partnership with his former preceptor, Robert E. Jenkins, which terminated with the Fire. He was Secretary of the great fire meeting of October 12, 1871. In the same year he formed a partnership with E. P. Weber under the firm name of Mills and Weber, which later merged into Mills, Weber and Ingraham, George C. Ingraham entering the firm in 1874. In the fall of 1876, he was elected State's Attorney of Cook County, the youngest man who had ever held that office, being only 28 years of age. He served in this capacity for two successive terms from December, 1876, to December, 1884. Upon retiring from public office he again entered private practice, and at the time of his death was in partnership with his son Matthew Mills, with offices in the New York Life Building. Besides his practice of law, Mr. Mills carried on the avocation of an orator and the number of his speeches upon topics of national import was very large. He became recognized as one of the most brilliant attorneys and eloquent orators of his day.

Frederick Seymour Winston, Annual Member since 1903, died at Pasadena, California, March 7, 1909, where he had gone in an effort to regain his health. He was born in Franklin County, Kentucky, October 27, 1856, of a distinguished southern family. Mr. Winston came to Chicago with his father while still a child and his prepara-

tory schooling was received here. He entered Yale at the early age of 16 and received his degree from there in 1877. He then went to the Columbia University Law School to fit himself to enter his father's office. In 1878 he was admitted to the Illinois Bar and became associated in the firm of F. H. and F. S. Winston. Three years later he was made Assistant Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago and so well discharged his duties in that capacity that in 1884 he was made Corporation Counsel. This office he resigned two years later to take up the practice of his father on his departure as Minister to Persia, and continued in private practice until his death. Mr. Winston was counsel for many of Chicago's largest corporations and became an authority in that branch of the law. Professional duties did not occupy Mr. Winston to the exclusion of other interests for he was a member of many societies both benevolent and social.

Joseph Russell Jones, Annual Member since 1877, was born at Conneaut, Ashtabula County, Ohio, on February 17, 1823. At the early age of 13 years he commenced his business career as a clerk in his native town. In 1838 he came West and landed in Chicago in August of 1838, but went on to Pecatonica, Illinois, and later to Galena, where he accepted a position with Benjamin H. Campbell, finally becoming a partner in the firm. In 1846 he was elected secretary and treasurer of the Galena and Minnesota Packet Company, of which he was one of the principal organizers. He served in this capacity for fifteen years. Mr. Jones moved to Chicago at the beginning of the Civil War. In 1860, he was elected a member of the Illinois General Assembly, and while at Springfield in that capacity made the acquaintance of Abraham Lincoln, Richard Yates, David Davis and other men of national prominence. When Lincoln became President he appointed Mr. Jones to the office of United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois. He served in this position eight years when he was tendered by President Grant, whose acquaintance he had made as a young man in Galena, a place in his cabinet. He declined to accept the offer of Secretary of the Interior, but agreed to serve as Minister to Belgium, whither he went in 1869. When he returned to Chicago in 1875 he was appointed Collector of Customs for the Port of Chicago. Mr. Jones organized

the Chicago West Division Railway Company and served as its president for twenty-five years. At the time of his death he was a director and stockholder in many of Chicago's prominent business enterprises. He died at his home, 2108 Michigan Avenue, April 11, 1909.

Caleb Benjamin Tillinghast, Corresponding Member of the Society since 1880, died at his home in Boston, Massachusetts, April 28, 1909, at the age of 66 years. He was born at West Greenwich, R. I., April 3, 1843, the son of Pardon and Eunice Tillinghast, both of old New England stock. At an early age his family removed to Windham County, Connecticut, where he was educated and for some years taught school. In 1870 Mr. Tillinghast went to Boston and became first a reporter and later city editor of the Boston Journal. In 1879 he accepted the position of Acting Librarian of the Massachusetts State Library. In 1883 a change in the law made the title of his position "State Librarian," and he was appointed to that office which he held until his death. Through his ability and unwearied efforts this library became one of the best in the country and in its collection of laws is probably unique. When the Free Public Library Commission was created in 1890, Mr. Tillinghast was appointed its chairman. He was a great reader and with his discriminating literary taste he accumulated one of the finest private libraries in Boston. His services to the cause of letters were recognized by Harvard University, which conferred on him the honorary degree of A. M. in 1897, and by Tufts College, which gave him the degree of Litt. D. in 1905. He was a member of the American Historical Association, Colonial Society of Massachusetts, American Antiquarian Society, New-England Historic Genealogical Society and other organizations of a similar character.

Charles Wesley Mann, an Annual Member of the Society since 1908, was born in Huntertown, Indiana, October 31, 1865. He received his early training in the public schools, later attending DePauw University at Greencastle, Indiana. In 1884 he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, but at the end of his third year was compelled to resign on account of a long illness following a sunstroke that rendered him unfit for military service. He then took up educational work. In 1887-88 he taught at the De Veaux Military Academy

at Niagara Falls, N. Y., from 1888-91 he was Commandant of the Kenyon Military Academy at Gambier, Ohio. At the end of this time he came to Chicago and established on the West Side a private school, the Chicago Academy, which was operated until 1896. Since that time Mr. Mann's life was very closely woven with the career of Lewis Institute, where he went as Head of the History Department in the spring of 1896, before the buildings were finished, and with which he was still identified at the time of his death. His funeral was held at the Institute, attended by the entire student body and was a touching manifestation of the high esteem in which he was held. Mr. Mann was in every sense a scholar, a man of quiet, unassuming presence, whose enormous capacity for work was a marvel to his friends. His wise counsel, growing out of years of experience, was often sought and always unstintingly given. He was the author of many monographs on historical subjects—"The Underground Railway," "Pan-American Congress," "The Attitude of the Chicago Common Council to the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850," the latter being prepared for this Society and printed in its series of Proceedings. During April, 1906, Mr. Mann gave a course of three illustrated historical lectures to children in the Society's Building, and under its auspices, entitled as follows: "The Northwest and Illinois," "County and Territory of Illinois" and "Chicago and the State of Illinois." He prepared and read before this Society last year a paper, "Fort Dearborn: Its Place in the History of the Frontier, 1804-12," which he hoped later to develop into an exhaustive work on the history of Fort Dearborn, based upon documents recently discovered at Detroit and the Kingsbury papers, lately acquired by this Society. At the time of his death he was engaged in editing for this Society the Diary of James K. Polk, and was taken ill while at work in the Society's Building. He died at his home, 1541 West Monroe Street, on May 1, 1909. Each member of the Executive Committee feels a personal sense of loss in the death of Mr. Mann. He was an ever ready and kind counselor. His death leaves a vacancy in the Society's roll of membership that can not be filled.

Mrs. Mary Ann Hubbard, an Honorary Life Member since 1907, died at her home in Chicago, July 19, 1909. She

was the widow of Gurdon Saltonstall Hubbard, a member of this Society almost since its foundation, being elected to membership in 1857, whose life was interwoven with almost every phase of the history of Chicago from the time of his first visit here in 1818 until his death in 1886. Born November 2, 1820, in Middleborough, Massachusetts, fourteen miles from Plymouth Rock, of Pilgrim ancestry and environment, she brought with her to the West, whither she came in her sixteenth year, New England ideals and standards of religion and education. She came with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ahira Hubbard, to Chicago in 1836, making the long journey by stage, steam and canal-boat, varied by a railroad ride from Troy to Schenectady on cars drawn by horses over flat, iron rails screwed to the ties. At Buffalo they embarked on a large steamer, the first side-wheeler to navigate the Lakes. Leaving the boat at Detroit, they made the journey across Michigan to St. Joseph by private conveyances. After this long, wearisome journey they arrived in Chicago one Sunday morning, and in true New England spirit, after breakfasting at Col. Richard J. Hamilton's, some of the family went at once to church; and Monday morning found the children at school. Mrs. Hubbard's first place of residence in Chicago was the Lake House, the Auditorium of that day. Married in 1843, Mrs. Hubbard became a leader in the simple social life of the days when the Kinzies, Doles, Russells, Hamiltons, Skinners and others entertained with gracious hospitality, independent of the caterers' aid. In 1868, when Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard celebrated both their silver wedding and the fiftieth anniversary of Mr. Hubbard's coming to Chicago, the guests were requested to register their names with the dates of birth and arrival in Chicago. This album is now in the possession of the Society and will serve future generations not only as a roster of Chicago's "four hundred" of that time, but as a roll of honor of those who made possible the Chicago of to-day. Mrs. Hubbard was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church and deeply interested in the moral uplift of the city which was her residence for seventy-three years. Reticent by nature and training, her unostentatious charities reached out in many directions. She believed Christian teaching to be a basal factor in the assimilation of our foreign population, and gave largely to city missions, building a chapel for the

Italians, and supporting workers among them. In her earlier life woman's activities were narrowed by custom, and in later years physical infirmities kept her in bonds, but her kind heart, clear judgment and open hand will long be remembered by those she comforted. Truly, "the cause she knew not, she searched out." No one could know Mrs. Hubbard even slightly without becoming conscious of her almost masculine understanding and grasp of affairs generally, and this, with a passionate love for truth and her many other qualities, made her a monumental figure in Chicago history. Mrs. Hubbard's last visit to the Society's Rooms upon a public occasion was as guest of honor on the evening of April 16, 1907, when her gift of a bronze memorial tablet to her husband was formally unveiled. This massive tablet, the work of Julia Bracken-Wendt, bears an admirable bas-relief portrait of Gurdon S. Hubbard, with tasteful decorations emblematic of his sturdy character, his long life, and his early coming to Chicago. It is permanently installed in the upper hall of the Society's Building. Upon this occasion Mr. Henry E. Hamilton delivered as the address of the evening, a biographical sketch of Gurdon Saltonstall Hubbard, afterward published by the Society. Mrs. Hubbard was the last of her generation, having attained her eighty-ninth year. Her old age was a happy and useful one, a source of great pleasure to those about her. Her death takes from us one more of those whose lives link the Chicago of to-day with the frontier town of the early forties.

Thomas Buckley, Corresponding Member since 1904, died at his home in Chicago on September 10, 1909, after a long and painful illness. He was born in Cork, Ireland, June 22, 1836. When but 10 years old he emigrated with his parents to Chicago, where at the early age of 13 he secured a position in an insurance office. At the time of his death, Mr. Buckley was one of the oldest survivors of the old volunteer fire force of Chicago and sole survivor of Company No. 10. In 1850 he became a member of "Hope" Hose Company, No. 2; in 1854 he joined "Red Jacket" Engine Company, No. 4, and remained with that association about one year when he associated himself with "Washington Engine Company, No. 10, and served with it until its disbandment in 1858. He then engaged in the fire insurance business and continued in that occupation

until 1890, when he took up the manufacture of lightning conductors and fire-extinguishers, being himself the inventor of several fire-appliances. Mr. Buckley was Secretary of the first building association in Chicago; one of the organizers of the first fire-insurance patrol which made its appearance on October 2, 1871, just seven days before the Great Conflagration, and the first secretary and vice-president of the Home Insurance Company, which went out of existence after the Fire. He was always an active figure in the history of the Volunteer Firemen's Benevolent Association, being a director in 1852, an incorporator in 1863, and holding successively the offices of secretary, treasurer and vice-president during a period extending over sixteen years. Mr. Buckley possessed and retained until the end a most remarkable memory. He could narrate with most minute detail and accuracy the history of Chicago during the long period of his residence here. Of all Mr. Buckley's association in Chicago perhaps the dearest to him were the recollections of his early years as a volunteer fireman; and it was ever his zealous care to preserve the materials of history of those early organizations to which he belonged. He was a loyal and enthusiastic member of the Society and it is through his efforts that the Society is the possessor of many relics and mementos of the volunteer fire-companies of Chicago, that might otherwise have been lost to posterity, among them his own fire cape as a member of "Hope" Hose Company, No. 2.

Charles F. Spalding, whose election to Annual Membership took place January 15, 1909, died at his home, 1300 Astor Street, on Monday, October 25, 1909. Mr. Spalding was born in Chicago, October 5, 1865. He was a son of Jesse Spalding, a Life Member of this Society from 1867 until his death in 1904. He attended the Harvard School in this city and later went to Exeter Academy. Upon leaving school, he went to northern Michigan, where he spent a number of years learning the practical side of the lumber business. Upon the death of his father he became president of the Spalding Lumber Company, this office he held until his death. Mr. Spalding was prominently identified with many of Chicago's leading business enterprises, being a director in the Commercial and Hibernian banks, as well as similar institutions in other places.

He was a prominent figure in the social life of Chicago, holding memberships in many of its leading clubs.

DONATIONS.

During the year just closed the Society has been the recipient of many valuable and interesting gifts. The Executive Committee desires here to give expression of its thanks to those who have contributed to its Collections. The Librarian's Report, on pages 238–302, notes the specially interesting gifts to the Library, and the List of Donors, pages 308–321, is a tabulated statement of all gifts made during the year.

The Executive Committee acknowledges with thanks the valuable services, gratuitously rendered, of Mr. Richard E. Schmidt, who has aided the House Committee by his advice and assistance in many matters pertaining to repairs made upon the Building.

The following donations are of especial interest:

Dr. O. L. Schmidt contributed seven hundred dollars to defray the expense of printing Volume 5 of the Society's Collection Series, namely, "Early Settlement of Illinois," by Arthur Clinton Boggess.

From the Misses Elizabeth and Frederika Skinner was received a gift of twenty-five dollars each toward the general expenses of the Society.

Mr. Henry C. Lytton donated a life-size portrait in oil of Theodore Roosevelt, by A. Benziger, of Switzerland, which was formally presented to the Society by Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus on the evening of December 8, 1908.

The widespread enthusiasm and interest in Lincoln, aroused by the celebartion of the One Hundredth Anniversary of his Birth, has found permanent expression in the Society's Collections by the many gifts made during this, the Centennial Year. Among them some of the more important are as follows:

Mr. Joseph Harris, a member of the Society, presented a heroic sized head of Abraham Lincoln done in bronze

by Gutzon Borglum, the same being a replica of the marble recently accepted by Congress for the Capitol.

From Spaulding and Company, through the President, Mr. Charles F. Greene, was received a magnificent bronze tablet, mounted on black marble, bearing the text of the Gettysburg Address, and a medallion in bas-relief of Abraham Lincoln, the work of B. V. Brenner.

Dr. B. J. Cigrand, on behalf of The Committee of One Hundred, presented to the Society the Gettysburg Address cast in copper, being the same in design as the ones placed in the public schools of the city in commemoration of the Lincoln Centennial.

From Mr. Erskine M. Phelps was received a large framed engraving, entitled, "The First Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation Before the Cabinet," by A. H. Ritchie, New York, 1866, after the painting by F. B. Carpenter.

From the sculptor, Mr. Charles Fletcher Batchelder, through Mr. Tagney, of the Daily News, was received a plaster cast of the head of Abraham Lincoln.

Dr. O. L. Schmidt presented several interesting items of Lincolniana, among them a rare lithograph, entitled, "The Death-Bed of the Martyr President Abraham Lincoln, Washington, Saturday Morning, April 15, 1865, at 22 Minutes Past 7 O'clock;" a transparency on glass of "Lincoln and His Cabinet;" Prang's oil chromo of Eastman Johnson's painting, "Boyhood of Lincoln;" "Lincoln and His Family," engraved by Wm. Sartain in 1866, after a painting by W. B. Waugh; a silver medallion of Abraham Lincoln made in 1865, and a contemporary engraving of Lincoln by John Sartain, published by R. R. Landon, at 88 Lake Street, Chicago.

From Mr. Robert E. Hills was received a bas-relief portrait of Abraham Lincoln in copper.

Mr. George Merryweather presented an interesting addition to the Society's collection of Lincoln portraits, a remarque proof of the etching by W. H. W. Bicknell

issued exclusively to members of the Bibliophile Society. This is mounted in a portfolio with a cancelled proof, showing the process of the work. The etching is after the photograph made at Springfield, in 1860.

Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr. made many interesting contributions of Lincolniana, among them the following: a memorial medal engraved by H. Bouvet of Paris, designer of the coins of Switzerland, bearing on the obverse the head of Lincoln in profile, and on the reverse, "Martyr to Liberty," with the legend, "Abraham Lincoln 15th April 1865;" a large framed lithograph published by Kurz and Allison, Chicago; a framed reproduction of the crayon of Lincoln by Z. DeComp; a lithograph, "President Lincoln at Home, Reading the Scriptures to His Wife and Son," published by Currier and Ives, New York, 1865; a facsimile of the copy of the Gettysburg Speech that was made by President Lincoln for the Soldiers and Sailors Fair at Baltimore; eight half-tones of statues and busts of Lincoln framed together; the menu of the banquet given on the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Lincoln by the Lincoln Centennial Association at the Illinois State Armory, Springfield, February 12, 1909; also a collection of Lincoln Centennial souvenirs consisting of post-cards and handsomely illuminated copies of the famous utterances of Lincoln.

Mr. Albert Rabe presented a framed artist's proof on parchment of the beautiful etching by Henry Taylor, Jr., of the Hesler photograph of Lincoln.

From Mr. Lewis G. Muller were received two artotones of the bronze of Lincoln done by Pickett in 1878, as well as many other copies of the same which were used as souvenirs of the Centennial.

Mr. William Webster Ellsworth, of the Century Company, presented twenty-four facsimile portraits of Lincoln, nicely mounted, such as were used as illustrations in the February number of The Century.

From Mrs. Eleanor Atkinson the Society received several views of the grave of Nancy Hanks Lincoln, and its surroundings, being the originals of the illustrations in

Mrs. Atkinson's "Lincoln's Boyhood," recently published; also a large photograph of the Borglum head of Lincoln.

Mr. Anton Benner, of Charleston, Ill., prtsented several interesting scenes in and about Charleston associated with the life of Lincoln, among them pictures of his father's grave.

Judge Lambert Tree presented a small colored picture of Lincoln representing him as he appeared about the time of the Lincoln-Douglas Debates.

From Mr. Frank W. Munson was received a lock of Abraham Lincoln's hair with the letter that accompanied it when it was presented to him by Mrs. C. M. Smith, sister of Mrs. Lincoln.

Miss Helen Leslie Carter presented a small photograph of Tad Lincoln that Tad himself gave to her brother, Mr. Leslie Carter, in 1865.

From Messrs. Allan and W. A. Pinkerton was received an enlarged photograph of Abraham Lincoln, Gen. John A. McClernand and Allan Pinkerton on the Battlefield at Antietam, September, 1862.

Mr. Richard E. Schmidt gave a copy of an original photograph in his possession showing a crowd of people assembled in front of the Lincoln home in Springfield, Lincoln himself forming the center of a group on the front porch, and a procession passing in the street. This is probably a portion of the procession of August 8, 1860.

Mr. Thomas A. Hagerty presented a card de visite photograph of Lincoln and a copper medal, souvenir of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair, Chicago, Ill., 1865, bearing in bas-relief the head of Lincoln and on the reverse—"Memoria Abraham Lincoln."

Miss Caroline M. McIlvaine presented photographs of bronze busts of Lincoln by Westerbury and John G. Prasuhn, of De Kalb, Ill.; also a copy of Judd Stewart's Lincoln book-plate.

From Berry Brothers, of Detroit, Mich., were received a copy of the handsome portrait of Lincoln, by Brown and Bigelow, of St. Paul, and a facsimile copy of Lincoln's

letter of condolence to Mrs. Bixby who lost five sons in the Civil War. It is a tribute to Lincoln well worth noting that an engrossed copy of this letter hangs on the walls of Brasenose College, Oxford University, England, as a specimen of the purest English and most elegant diction extant. It is said that as a model of expressive English it has rarely if ever been surpassed. In addition to these BERRY BROTHERS contributed several articles issued by them as souvenirs of the Centennial.

MR. CHARLES W. MANN presented a print from an original negative of Lincoln in the Boston Public Library, taken in 1865, and a contemporary lithograph, entitled, "Assassination of President Lincoln, Ford's Theatre, Washington, April 14, 1865."

From MR. GUY GUERNSEY was received a photograph of the Cook County Court-House and surroundings, taken at the time when Lincoln's remains lay in state.

MR. J. SEYMOUR CURREY presented lithographic copies of "Lincoln in 1861," from the painting by Ferris, and "Lincoln and the Contrabands," a Centennial calendar.

MR. MARIUS E. DAHL presented three items of Lincolniana as follows: "The Hand of Lincoln," "Grant Receiving His Commission as Lieutenant General from President Lincoln," and a copy of the last photograph of Lincoln.

From MR. E. F. HOYT, of Clifton Springs, N. Y., through MR. FRANK E. STEVENS, was received an exquisite daguerreotype of Sarah Fisk Douglas (later Mrs. Gehazi Granger) mother of Stephen A. Douglas. The resemblance of Douglas to his mother as appears in this picture is very remarkable.

From MR. CHARLES W. MANN were received two interesting prints: A caricature of Jefferson Davis—"The Last Ditch of Chivalry, or a President in Petticoats," showing him about to be captured dressed in women's clothes; "The Fall of Richmond, Va., on the Night of April 2d, 1865."

MESSRS. HULBERT and DORSEY, through MR. HENRY FOSTER, presented an old wooden water pipe and sleeve con-

nection found in excavating for the new Northwestern Depot in the alley of the old Gault House. An iron sleeve connection dug up on Randolph Street, near Wabash Avenue, and showing a later method used in Chicago was presented by Mr. Philip C. Schupp.

From Mr. J. Mahlon Barnes were received photographs of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates on the Socialist ticket in the campaign of 1908, also several campaign buttons and badges.

Mr. Max Schroeter presented a large photograph of the bronze tablet made by him for the Green Bay Historical Society, which was unveiled August 10, 1909. This tablet designates the site of Fort Howard occupied by the United States troops from 1816 till 1862; also the site of the French Fort St. Francois, built prior to 1718, and rebuilt by the British in 1761 as Fort Edward Augustus.

Mr. John Turner Long, of Los Angeles, supplemented the large collection presented by him last year by the addition of a pencil sketch of the town of Kaskaskia, accompanied by a plat locating the various buildings standing in 1890, when Mr. Long went with Mr. E. G. Mason on a trip to old historic sites of Illinois.

Dr. O. L. Schmidt has during the past year, as in former ones, been lavish in his gifts to the Society. Attention is called to the Librarian's Report in which are mentioned his gifts of rare and valuable books to the Library. Dr. Schmidt has purchased and presented the following: A silver brooch of French workmanship and other ornaments taken from the skeleton of an Indian exhumed from a mound in the vicinity of the Des Plaines River in Will County, Illinois (these supplement a large collection from the same locality presented last year by Dr. Schmidt); an old clock which bears the label on the inside of the case as follows: "Manufactured and sold by E. Thorp and Co., Upper Alton, Ill.," with full directions how to run it and the statement, "Warranted if well used." The latter was entirely within the truth as the clock is in running condition to-day after nearly eighty years of usage. A valuable instrument to the Society in connection with its large collection of stereoscopic views, is a stereoscope made in the

form of a box and capable of holding one hundred and fifty views. This Dr. Schmidt purchased for the Society.

Mr. Clarence A. Burley presented plans of the present building of the Chicago Historical Society, found among his father's papers.

From Mr. C. W. Dunkley, through Mr. George H. Fergus, an item of interest was received: "Gentleman's Season Ticket Great Northwestern Fair," 1865.

Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., has added to the Society's collection of campaign material which he instituted by the presentation of his own large collection some few years ago, and to which he has been the principal contributor, by the addition of several pieces, among them a Grant and Colfax Presidential Ticket of 1868; a 16th Ward National Union Republican Ticket, and Democratic and Independent Ticket, both of 1870, upon the former appear the names of John N. Jewett, for Senator; Augustus H. Burley and William Vocke, for Representatives; Charles B. Farwell, for Congress; and on the latter, John Wentworth, for Representative; all members of this Society; a medallion of President and Mrs. Cleveland, 1887, and medals issued during the campaigns of John Bell and Andrew Johnson. Mr. Kerfoot has generously contributed to the Society's collections along other lines, some of his gifts during the year being as follows: A framed engraving by A. B. Walter of General Grant and his Family, a copy of the painting by E. B. Bensell and published by John Dainty, of Philadelphia; a stereoscopic interior view of the Inter-State Exposition, Chicago, 1877. To the Society's collection of pictures of early Lake View residences, he has contributed a photograph of the William Kanke House, which was built in 1865 at the corner of North Clark and Wellington Streets. Mr. Kerfoot also presented a poster of the Adelphi Theatre of September 25, 1876, a great contrast to the theatrical advertisements of to-day.

From the Krug Wrecking Company, through Mr. Joseph Rosenthal, was received a wooden mantel taken from the home of Henry Graves, who at the time of his death in October, 1907, had been a continuous resident of Chicago for seventy-six years, having arrived here July 20, 1831, when but ten years of age. His home at 3254

Graves Place, from which this interesting relic was taken just prior to its demolition in May, 1909, was built in 1845 near the present 33d Street and was near what was known as "The Cottage," from which Cottage Grove Avenue is said to have later taken its name. In the 50's it was removed about fifty feet west of its original site to 33d Street and Graves Place.

Mr. Frank W. Smith presented the Society with two photographs, one a copy of an early ambrotype of the Graves Home as it originally stood at 33d street, between Cottage Grove Avenue and Graves Place, showing the quaint old white board fence around it; and a picture of the road house, known as "The Cottage," as it stood in the early days on Cottage Grove Avenue near 32d Street.

The Chicago Daily News presented two photographs of the Henry Graves home taken just before it was torn down.

From Mr. Horace G. Lunt, of Colorado Springs, was received a photograph of the ruins of the Chicago Court-House after the Great Fire.

Mr. David Bruckheimer presented several mementos of the different national conventions held in Chicago.

From Miss Janet McKay Cowing, of Seneca Falls, N. Y., were received four stereoscopic views of Chicago Fire ruins, 1871.

From Mr. Thomas Buckley was received a framed portrait, copied from an ivory miniature, of A. V. Knickerbocker, Government Agent at Chicago. Mr. Knickerbocker was the man who suggested the firing of guns as alarm of fire, before even the bucket brigade was formed in Chicago. This was the first system of fire alarms in the town and hence the very beginning, or forerunner of the Fire Department. The merchants notified by the gun, ran to the fire and saved what they could, forming themselves into a company for that purpose in 1832.

Mr. Guy Guernsey presented a flint nodule about 10 inches in diameter, found by the donor in July on the site of the ancient town of LaVantum, just below the present site of Utica, Ill. Mr. Guernsey writes that this is the

largest flint he has ever seen and that the portions chipped off it were doubtless used by the Indians in making arrow heads.

From Mr. F. Born was received a piece of petrified wood which he found while digging a post hole at about three feet below the surface on his property at 26 Starr Street.

Mr. E. J. Parker, a Corresponding Member, presented a set of six photographs of the monument erected to the memory of George Rogers Clark at Quincy, Ill., showing the scenes of its unveiling, May 22, 1909, which was held under the auspices of the Quincy Historical Society.

From Mr. Charles Reymershoffer, of Galveston, Texas, was received a large photogravure of Carl Weimar's celebrated Indiana painting entitled, "The Buffalo Hunt."

From Mr. George H. Fergus was received a copy of a photograph of Joseph Crewes Barclay (now living in Louisville, Ky.) and Edwin Morton Coates (now living in Philadelphia, Pa., Brig. Gen., U. S. A., retired), both members of the United States Zouave Cadets, Governor's Guards of Illinois, commanded by Col. Ephraim Elmer Ellsworth, taken while on their tour through the eastern cities, leaving Chicago, July 3, and returning Aug. 14, 1860, as Military Champions of America. The donor is one of the few surviving members who made that memorable trip.

Mr. James J. Wilson presented two excellent photographs of the old Lake View House, which was erected by Jas. H. Rees and Elisha E. Huntley in 1854, on the Lake Shore at the foot of Grace Street, and at the present corner of Grace Street and Sheridan Road.

From the Field Museum of Natural History the Society received a model of the Caravel "Santa Maria," the flag-ship of Columbus, enclosed in a glass case. This is accompanied by two framed inscriptions; one reads, "This miniature Santa Maria was built by Mr. Simon Strauss, of Belleville, Ill. The only material used in its construction is wood that was taken from every building, bridge, pier, column, fence and other structures on the

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Their championship banner is in the vault of the Chicago Historical Society.

World's Columbian Fair Grounds, and was collected under the supervision of the authorities who furnished also the designs for the building of the relic." The other inscription gives a list of structures from which the model was made.

From Mr. J. B. Oakleaf, of Moline, Ill., was received an album of photographic views in the vicinity of Black Hawk's Watch Tower, Rock Island County, Illinois.

From Mr. T. A. O'Shaughnessy was received a photographic plate illustrating the first practical stage of color photography, which is of particular interest as it is to a Chicagoan that the credit is due for the development of this stage of the art.

Mr. F. A. Winchell, of New York City, through Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., presented an interesting relic of the Great Fire, a coarse muslin badge with the word "Police" printed on it. In a letter accompanying the badge, Mr. Winchell writes, "This badge was issued to me October 10, 1871, at the First Congregational Church, Chicago, as a special police officer and was worn by me during the week succeeding the Chicago Fire and has been in my possession continuously ever since."

From Mrs. W. W. Strong was received an old iron safe, a relic of the Chicago Fire.

Mr. Hjalmar R. Holand presented two photographs of the ancient runic stone, found in Minnesota a few years ago, which is believed by many to be positive proof that the Norsemen visited this part of the country as early as 1362.

From Mrs. P. H. Retzer, of Kansas City, Mo., was received a hand-made grater of crude design, found in a log cabin near St. Joseph, Michigan.

Mr. A. G. Woodbury, of Danville, Ill., presented several views of historical sites in the vicinity of Danville.

From the Chicago Numismatic Society were received six medals issued by that Society to its members, one to the original members and founders, and one for each year from 1904-1908 inclusive.

Mrs. Julia Pratt Huntington gave through Mrs. H. H. Hayes, a Corresponding Member, a photograph of

Mrs. Sarah Marshall Hayden, the first woman novelist of Illinois.

Mrs. E. S. Chesborough, through Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., presented a commutation ticket on the old North Chicago City Railway Dummy.

From Mr. Martin Conrad was received a medal of the Illinois State Fair, 1908.

Mr. Julius Frankel presented an 8x10 camera, and appliances to accompany the same, made by the Rochester Camera Company. This will doubtless prove a very valuable accession to the Society and its patrons, for the number of requests for copies of illustrations and pictures belonging to the Society's Collections is constantly increasing, and the fact that none of its possessions are ever permitted to leave the Society's Building often causes inconvenience and delays which may now be obviated.

Mr. Thomas A. Hagerty, through Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., presented many interesting items to the Society's Collections, among them the following: two engraved plats of the Battle of Lake Erie with a key to same; bullets picked up on the Battle-field of Gettysburg, and a ramrod found on that same battle-ground on the first day of the encounter, and a United States military belt buckle, such as was used prior to the Civil War. In addition to these he presented several campaign badges and buttons and a number of interesting souvenirs of the World's Columbian Exposition.

Through the efforts of Mr. John W. Foster, the Society has a collection of photographs of early residences of Lake View. During the past year Mr. Foster has supplemented these by the addition of about twenty-five pictures, among them the following: "Dawn," the home of Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, and later that of Luther Laflin Mills, at the corner of Clarendon and Graceland Avenues; the beautiful home of J. B. Waller, "Buena," which stood in a large plot of ground on the corner of Buena and Evanston Avenues, now encroached upon on all sides by large apartment buildings; the Judge Ebenezer Peck home on North Clark Street near Fullerton Avenue; the old homesteads of Edward McConnell, S. B. Chase, Edward Foster, James Payne, John Nash, R. R. Clark, S. D. Childs, Horatio G. Spafford and several others that date back to the time when Lake View was a village apart from

Chicago. The other landmarks of interest of which Mr. Foster has contributed pictures are the old Lake View Town Hall, Sunny Side Tavern, now abandoned, and the old Kransz tavern, still standing at the corner of North Clark Street and Ridge Road.

Mrs. Oliver B. Green presented a large framed photograph, entitled, "Chicago as Seen After the Great Conflagration."

From Mr. Charles H. Conover was received the Nullification Proclamation of Andrew Jackson, President of the United States, December 10, 1832, handsomely printed on white satin, and suitably framed.

Dr. N. S. Davis presented photographs of Henry Smith and Phoebe Smith, his wife, both early residents of Chicago.

Mr. W. I. Collins presented a large lithographic "View of the Tremont House," published by E. Whitefield and Rufus Blanchard, Chicago, 1861; also a number of lithographs of Chicago just after the Fire.

From Mr. A. W. Watriss were received a number of interesting photographs taken by the donor, among them pictures of the Indian Trail Trees of the North Shore, the Black Hawk Council Tree at Glencoe, the Fort Dearborn Massacre Monument and the Marquette Monument at Summit, Illinois.

From the Estate of Mrs. Mary Ann Hubbard were received a number of stereoscopic views of Chicago Fire Ruins.

PUBLICATIONS.

During the fiscal year just closed the Society has been active in this branch of endeavor and through the generosity of one of its members, Dr. O. L. Schmidt, has brought out a volume of probably more importance to history than any publication the Society has issued since 1890; namely, Volume 5 of the Society's Collection Series.

The Executive Commitee has caused to be printed during the year the following:

"Year-Book of the Society, 1908," with a Report of the Annual Meeting held November 17, 1908.

"Chicago Historical Society Collection—Vol. V. Settlement of Illinois, 1788-1830," by Arthur Clinton Boggess, described as *in press* in last year's Annual Report, was distributed to members and the Society's list of exchanges during the past year. This volume has received very favorable comment in some of the leading historical journals of the country.

In commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln, an address delivered by Paul Selby before the Society in 1906, entitled, "Abraham Lincoln: The Evolution of His Emancipation Policy," was published. An extra large edition of this paper, consisting of 1500 copies, was issued; 500 were distributed among the Society's guests on the evening of February 12, 1909.

"The Masters of the Wilderness: A Study of the Hudson's Bay Company from Its Origin to Modern Times," a paper read before the Society March 16, 1909, by Charles B. Reed, M.D., has just been received from the printer as this report goes to press, and will be in the hands of the members within a few days.

It will be recalled that the Diary and Correspondence of President Polk were acquired by the Society some few years ago. Professor Charles W. Mann of Lewis Institute, in whose death the Society has suffered a severe loss, was engaged in preparing and editing these papers for publication by A. C. McClurg & Company. Mr. M. M. Quaife, who has made a deep study of the life and times of James K. Polk, has taken up the work where Professor Mann left it and, following the outlines left by him, is now engaged in annotating and editing these documents. In the Libra-brarian's Report, on pages 245–246, is an extended notice of this prospective publication.

The Executive Committee feels warranted in congratulating the Members on the condition of the Society and the progress of its work as shown by the Annual Reports. It also is glad to publicly acknowledge the zeal and industry of the Society's employés during the year. The position of Secretary still remains vacant, but the duties are being so effectively performed by the Librarian and the Record

Clerk and Accountant that the Executive Committee feels warranted in continuing the vacancy until such time as it can be filled to their entire satisfaction and to the unquestionable advantage of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,
For the Executive Committee.

On motion of Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Seipp, the report of the Executive Committee was accepted, approved and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Burley, of the Board of Trustees of the Gilpin Fund, then presented and read the Report of the Gilpin Trustees, which is as follows:

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE GILPIN FUND OF THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY,

NOVEMBER 1, 1908, to OCTOBER 31, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

Certificate of deposit on hand November 1, 1908		$ 406.12
3½ % bonds matured		3,500.00
Interest on $22,500 3½ % bonds, 1 year	$ 787.50	
Interest on $43,500 4 % bonds, 1 year	1,740.00	
Interest on $1,000 4 % bonds, 6 months	20.00	
Interest on certificates of deposit	34.48	2,581.98
		$6,488.10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid $1,000 4 % city bond (No. 2379), due Jan. 1, 1928, at 102¾	$1,027.50	
Paid accrued interest on same	1.11	
Paid $3,000 4 % city bonds (Nos. 830, 831, 464), due Jan. 1, 1921, at 100.92	3,027.60	
Paid safety vault box rent	10.00	
Paid Chicago Historical Society, annual appropriation	2,100.00	
Paid Chicago Historical Society, repairs on library iron work and windows	121.90	6,288.11
Certificate of deposit in safety vault box		$ 199.99

STATEMENT OF GILPIN FUND.

SECURITIES.

Chicago city 3½ % bonds, par value	$19,000.00
Chicago city 4 % bonds, par value	47,500.00
Certificate of deposit	199.99
Total	$66,699.99
Amount received from estate of Henry D. Gilpin, deceased	64,314.34
Surplus	$ 2,385.65

Chicago, November 1, 1909.

EUGENE H. FISHBURN,
CLARENCE A. BURLEY,
WALTER L. FISHER,
ERSKINE M. PHELPS,
Trustees.

On motion of Mr. Gunther, seconded by Colonel Rend, the Report was referred to the Executive Committee.

In the absence of Mr. Orson Smith, Treasurer of the Society, the Secretary of the Meeting read the Treasurer's Report and the Report of the Auditing Committee, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending October 31, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand November 1st, 1908		$ 5,458.18
Deposits by Secretary	$ 4,359.11	
Deposits by Trustees Gilpin Fund	2,221.90	
Interest on Commnowealth Electric Company bonds	400.00	
Interest on People's Gas Company bonds	400.00	
Interest on Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé bonds	240.00	
Interest on South Side Elevated Railway bonds	180.00	
Interest on Metropolitan Elevated Railway bonds	40.00	
Interest on Chicago City Railway bonds	150.00	
Interest on City of Mobile bonds	90.00	
Interest on bank account	34.60	8,115.61
		$13,573.79

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers issued by the Secretary, countersigned by the President	$10,479.50	
Balance on hand October 31st, 1909	3,094.29	$13,573.79

The above balance is made up as follows:

Philo Carpenter Fund	$ 126.81
Huntington W. Jackson Fund	106.14
Lucretia Pond Fund	1,007.13
Elizabeth H. Stickney Fund	832.80
General Fund	1,021.41
	$3,094.29

The following securities are held in safe deposit box of the Society:

POND FUND.		
Four (4) South Side Elevated Ry. bonds, each	$1,000	$4,000
One (1) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. bond	500	500
Eight (8) People's Gas Light & Coke Co. bonds, each	1,000	8,000
One (1) Metropolitan Elevated R. R. bond.	1,000	1,000
STICKNEY FUND.		
Five (5) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. bonds, each	1,000	5,000
CARPENTER FUND.		
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company bond	1,000	1,000
JACKSON FUND.		
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company bond	1,000	1,000
GARRETT FUND.		
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company bond	1,000	1,000
WATKINS FUND.		
Five (5) Commonwealth Electric Company bonds, each	1,000	5,000
TILTON FUND.		
Three (3) Chicago City Railway bonds, each	1,000	3,000
WILLING FUND.		
Two (2) City of Mobile, Alabama, bonds, each	1,000	2,000
One (1) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. bond	500	500

Respectfully submitted,

ORSON SMITH,
Treasurer.

(The Report of the Auditing Committee appears following the digest of the Trial Balance in the Executive Committee's Report, on Page 205.)

On motion of MR. DENT, seconded by MR. SEIPP, the Reports of the Treasurer and the Auditing Committee were referred to the Executive Committee.

The Librarian then presented her Report for the year and read from it several extracts touching upon particularly interesting features of the Society's work.

The Report is as follows:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

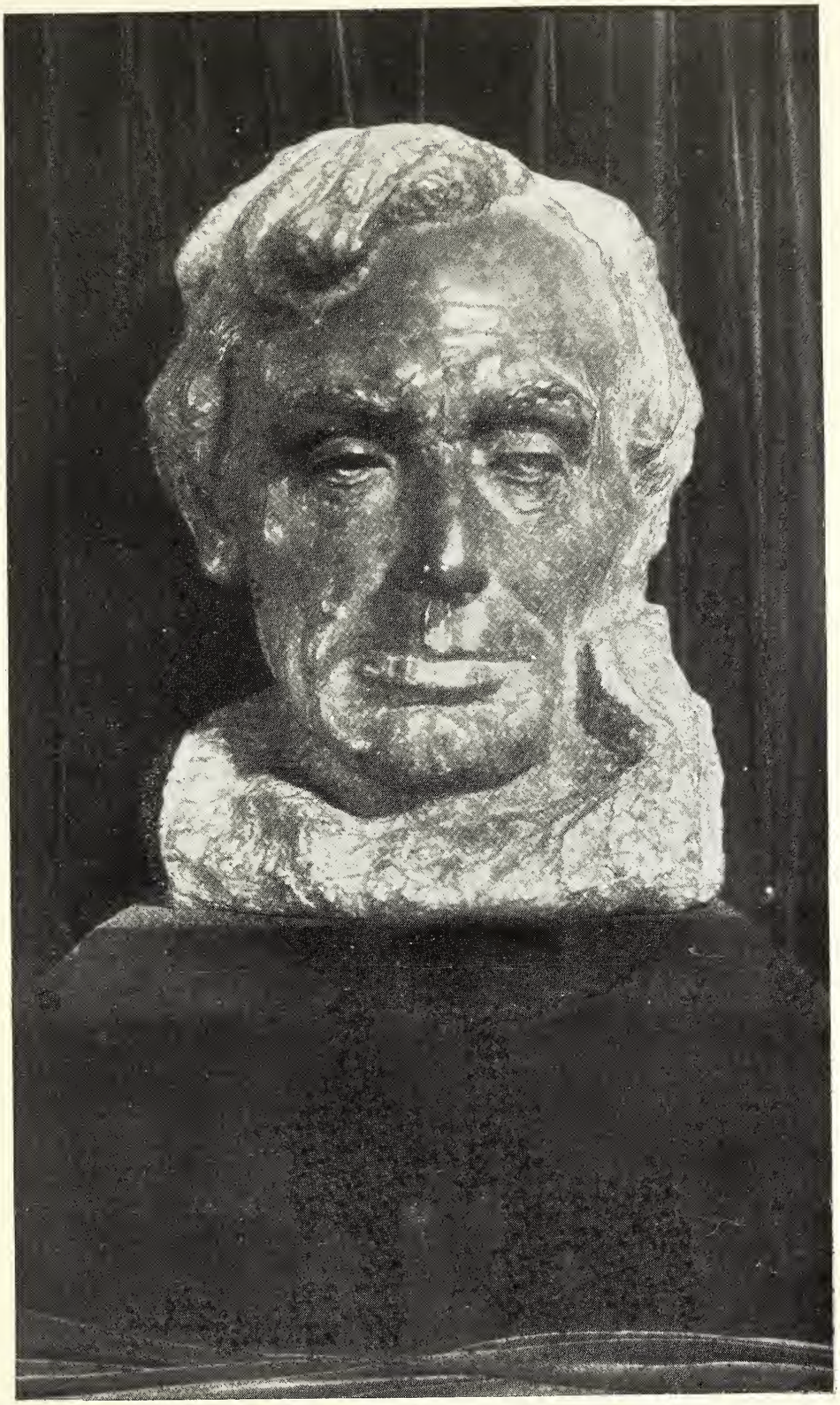
To the Executive Committee of the Chicago Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit my report as Librarian of the Chicago Historical Society for the year ending October 31, 1909.

The Lincoln Centennial—

The year just closed has writ itself large on the records of the Historical Society as the LINCOLN CENTENNIAL YEAR, for it is literally true that in reviewing the minutes of daily happenings scarce a page is found which does not chronicle gifts of Lincolniana, the visits of aged contemporaries of Lincoln, or the gathering of fresh data relative to that life which had its earthly beginning in February, 1809, but which enjoys perennial youth.

Early in 1908 Mr. Franklin H. Head, Mr. C. F. Gunther and Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., were appointed a Special Committee on the Lincoln Centenary. After earnest deliberation it was decided that if it were possible to assemble in the Society's Building a great collection of Lincolniana to be thrown open to the public, especially to the school children, no more impressive commemoration could be had. At this point the Com-



LINCOLN
BRONZE

BY GUTZON BORGLUM
THE GIFT OF MR. JOSEPH HARRIS

[Pages 221, 242, etc.]

mittee was painfully conscious of the loss of the document which, of all others, would have been the most fitting nucleus of such a collection, namely, Lincoln's original draft of the Emancipation Proclamation,* which with 100,000 volumes and manuscripts, the results of the Society's labors since its organization in 1856, perished in the Great Fire. As the plans of the Committee matured members of the Society who are especially devoted to the memory of Lincoln, as if to compensate for the loss of the Proclamation, began to rally loyally to its assistance with offers of gifts and loans from their personal collections.

The success of the exhibition was assured when, at the solicitation of Hon. Lambert Tree, Mr. Robert T. Lincoln very cordially promised to loan such documents from the papers of his father as the Librarian should select. A catalogue of them will be found under the heading "Special Exhibits," but a mere list of these precious papers can only faintly suggest their educational value to young America to-day. No one who was present during the Lincoln week, and watched the faces of school children grouped about this and other cases of exhibits, listening with eyes made bright by unshed tears while some grey-haired man or woman explained to them the significance of the First Inaugural, or of the Gettysburg Address, or recalled personal memories connected with Lincoln, can doubt that the original letters and documents traced by the hand of the most beloved president exert so powerful an influence—make for so genuine a culture, good citizenship and patriotism,

*At the solicitation of Hon. Isaac N. Arnold this document had been relinquished by President Lincoln to the Ladies of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair to be sold for the benefit of the invalided soldiers. It was purchased by Hon. Thomas B. Bryan for the sum of three thousand dollars and deposited, as stipulated in Mr. Arnold's request, "in the fire-proof Building of the Historical Society." (See *Memorial of Colonel Samuel Stone*, by Mrs. William Barry, C. H. S. 1878, for an account of S's desperate efforts to save this document.) Mr. Lincoln, Rev. William Barry, and the three above mentioned gentlemen were members of the Society.

that they are a necessary supplement to the work of the schools. And is it not at this point that the true function of an historical society becomes apparent—namely to gather and to conserve, in their original form, the *monumenta historica* which are the bases of inspiration for the workers of all time.

Mr. William F. Dummer, a son of Judge H. E. Dummer, of Jacksonville, Ill., at the request of the Librarian consented to loan an exceedingly interesting series of letters from Lincoln to his father. The Society was especially indebted to Mr. Dummer for having the collection mounted between glass and framed so that all of the pages of the letters could be examined. With these letters, which deal with political and legal matters, was a photographic facsimile of one written to a young man who desired to read law with Lincoln, which so emphasizes the value of the Lincoln ideal in every line that it is given in full below, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Dummer had suggested that this letter be not exhibited on account of its reference to his father.

SPRINGFIELD, Nov'r 5, 1855.

ISHAM REAVIS, ESQ.

MY DEAR SIR:

I have just reached home, and found your letter of the 23rd ult. I am from home too much of my time, for a young man to read law with me advantageously. If you are resolutely determined to make a lawyer of yourself, the thing is more than half done already. It is but a small matter whether you read *with* any body or not. I did not read with any one. Get the books, and read and study *them* till you understand them in their principal features; and that is the main thing. It is of no consequence to be in a large town while you are reading. I read at New Salem, which never had three hundred people living in it. The *books*, and your *capacity* for understanding them, are just the same in all places. Mr. Dummer is a very clever man and an excellent lawyer (much better than I, in law-learning); and I have no doubt he will cheerfully tell you what books to read, and also loan you the books.

Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed, is more important than any other one thing.

Very truly your friend,

[Signed] A. LINCOLN.

The educational value of such exhibits cannot be over-estimated.

Mr. C. F. Gunther contributed lavishly from his great collection of Lincoln relics. Of all the objects shown by him none attracted more affectionate attention han the high hat and generous umbrella with which the President is said to have traveled from Springfield to Washington to be inaugurated. These have all of the appearance of having previously traveled the Illinois circuit with him for many seasons. A series of large photographs showing the progress of the Lincoln funeral cortége through Chicago to Springfield was of very great interest.

In response to a letter from the Librarian requesting the loan of the muster rolls of Lincoln's company in the Black Hawk War, one of which is entirely in Lincoln's writing, Mr. Frank E. Stevens writes:

SYCAMORE, ILL., Jan. 27, 1909.

MY DEAR MISS MCILVAINE:

Your letter 26th received. The next time I am in, I'll bring the papers for the Lincoln exhibit. There is but one institution to which I would permit the Lincoln muster roll to go out of my hands and that is the Chicago Historical Society. . . It is the most highly prized document I have in my library. While I live the pleasures of ownership are so very great that I shall keep it; but when the time comes when I must part with my books and papers it is my expectation to turn it over to the Chicago Historical Society as a token of my esteem. . .

Yours faithfully,

[Signed] FRANK E. STEVENS.

The company of which Lincoln was captain was mustered into service at Beardstown, Ill., on the 28th of April, 1832, by Col. John J. Hardin, Inspector and

Mustering Officer, who countersigns the roll. Through the kindness of his son, General Martin D. Hardin, the Society was able to exhibit an oil portrait of Col. Hardin in the uniform of a United States mustering officer of 1832. Col. Hardin defeated Lincoln for Congress in 1843. He was killed at the battle of Buena Vista.

The courtesy of the Trustees of the Newberry Library in loaning to the Society the portrait of Lincoln by G. P. A. Healy, Chicago's most famous artist, was gratefully appreciated. This portrait was painted from sketches of the President made at City Point in 1861.

The sincere thanks of the Society are due to Mr. J. B. Oakleaf of Moline, Ill., a corresponding member, for sending a case of Lincoln books selected from the choicest treasures his great collection contains; to Mrs. Mary Swing Ricker for loaning the silver goblet and napkin ring once the property of Lincoln, and given by Mrs. Lincoln to the late David Swing; to Mrs. Eunice Bent for the loan of a "Fulton County Wide Awake Banner," made by Seely & Bent, of Fulton, Ill., and presented by Mr. Bent to Captain Dyer, her father, the organizer of the "Fulton County Wide Awakes," a Republican Marching Club of 1860; and to Mrs. Flora Benze McClaughry for loaning an invitation written by Mr. Lincoln on behalf of himself and Mrs. Lincoln to Adolph F. C. Muller, a Representative from Cook Co., 1856-7, asking him to an evening company.

The catalogue of the Lincoln Centennial Exhibit, which will be found under the heading "Special Exhibits," on pages 247–260, and the list of Lincoln books donated, on pages 283–288, together with the addresses on Lincoln delivered before the Society and the gifts mentioned in the Executive Committee's Report, pages 221–232, will convey some idea of the spirit of generosity that characterized the relations of the Society and the public during the Centennial year, and which perhaps found its most emphatic expression in the noble gift of the Gutzon Borglum head of Lincoln by Mr. Joseph Harris, a mem-

ber of the Society. This heroic bronze, mounted on a temporary pedestal in the center of the main hall of the Society's building, was the most prominent and most admired feature of the exhibit, its bold outlines being the first object to greet the eyes of the guests as they entered, and it was notable that few took their departure without a backward glance at the rugged but serene face which seemed to preside over the scene. One of those who studied this portrait with keenest interest was the Hon. James Bryce, who visited the exhibit as the guest of Mr. Robert T. Lincoln. It will interest those who have studied the multitude of Lincoln portraits to know that Mr. Lincoln pronounced the Borglum head a wonderful likeness of his father.

At the close of the Exhibit the Society found itself possessed of so large a number of framed portraits of Lincoln, mainly contemporary engravings, that it was forced to store them, there being no wall space available for their display. Yet any city or society would covet as a perpetual inspiration just the spirit and quality of interest aroused by the Lincoln motif, and it is possible that this Society could do nothing of greater value for this and coming generations than to bend every energy to the end that it may some day be made the permanent repository not only of the portraits but of all of these loaned documents, which are in truth Lincoln's most fitting monument.

Thus far no need seems to have been felt for a permanent memorial of the first Lincoln Centenary in Chicago, probably because we already have one St. Gaudens statue and are soon to have another. Twenty-two of the forty thousand dollars collected for the celebration is said to have been returned to the subscribers, therefore there is some reason to believe that, if the Chicago Historical Society were to dedicate the unoccupied portion of its property to the purpose of a Lincoln memorial, Chicago people generally would esteem it a privilege to co-operate with the members of the Society in erecting thereon a building which would provide a home for the now scattered Lincoln collections, as well as provide for the expansion of the general collections, and thus give permanent expression to some measure of the pride and gratitude which the people of the Central West feel because the life of Lincoln was lived among them.

Publications—

With a volume entitled *The Settlement of Illinois, 1778-1834*, by Arthur Clinton Boggess, Professor of History and Political Science in Pacific University, Oregon, the Society resumes the publication of its Collection series after a lapse of almost twenty years. The new volume is a monograph of 267 pages, on the pioneer institutions and political evolution of Illinois through the various stages of development common to frontiers—in this case successively Indian country, a county of Virginia, a dependency of Indiana Territory, an independent territory, a sovereign state. The book, which is illustrated with numerous maps and charts, has been commended by the *American Historical Review*, and others, as a piece of thorough original research, and as such will doubtless be definitive in its particular field, and possibly be adopted as a standard reference book in the schools. The expense of this publication, of which 703 copies were printed, was borne by Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

It may not be out of place to name here the previous publications in this series for the information of those who are not acquainted with them.

Vol. I. "History of the English Settlement in Illinois," by George Flower; published at the expense of Levi Z. Leiter, 1882.

Vol. II. "Enoch Long: An Illinois Pioneer," by Harvey Reed; published at the expense of Levi Z. Leiter, 1884.

Vol. III. "The Edwards Papers," edited by Elihu B. Washburne; published at the expense of Marshall Field, 1884.

Vol. IV. "Early Chicago and Illinois," edited by Edward G. Mason; published with the interest of the Jonathan Burr Fund, 1890.

It will be noted that the expense of the publication of each of the above has been defrayed through the generosity of an individual member of the Society. The Jonathan Burr Fund of $2,000, which commemorates a most public spirited citizen, is the only fund established expressly for the purpose of printing the Society's collections, and was doubtless given with the hope that it would form the nucleus of a fund sufficient to insure the

continuation of the Society's publications. The Society is yearly adding to its already large collections of original manuscripts and will need increasingly large provision for their publication. It seems probable that there are those in the Society to whom it would be a gratification to bear the expense of publication of a volume in this Series in the name of, and as a memorial to, some deceased member of the donor's family who was a member of the Society.

On February 12 there was published, in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, an address delivered by Paul Selby before the Society in 1906, entitled *Abraham Lincoln: The Evolution of His Emancipation Policy.* The Society was singularly fortunate in having this most worthy and fitting contribution to Lincoln literature to offer to its members as a permanent memorial of the Society's participation in the first centennial celebration of the birth of the great Emancipator. Mr. Selby is one of the "Old Guard" of Illinois newspaper editors who played so important a role in the policy and career of Abraham Lincoln.

Five hundred copies of the above pamphlet were distributed to the Society's guests on the occasion of Col. Carr's address, on February 12, and there has since been a very large demand for copies from various parts of the country.

With the Annual Report the members will receive a pamphlet publication now in press, entitled *The Masters of the Wilderness: A Study of the Hudson's Bay Company*, by Charles B. Reed, M. D. This paper is based upon personal observations made during repeated explorations of the posts of the Company, supplemented by research extending over many years. Extremely well written, this paper has literary as well as historical value.

The Diary of James K. Polk during the period of his presidency, 1845 to 1849, consisting of twenty-four volumes in his beautiful handwriting, which has been called the most valuable set of unpublished private papers in America, has lain in the vault of the Society since it was acquired from the Polk family eight years ago, consulted

very infrequently until last year, when, at the request of the Publication Committee, it was examined by the late Charles W. Mann with a view to its publication. The great expense attending an undertaking of such magnitude seemed an insurmountable barrier, and months were spent in correspondence with publishers, and repeated conferences of the Committee, the feeling being that the Society could not afford to relinquish this opportunity to render so great a service for the advancement of historical studies. Finally, after a most painstaking canvass of all the minutiæ of the publishing problem, Professor Mann devised a plan of profit-sharing which was not only acceptable to but desired by the McClurg Publishing Company of this city, and which was adopted by the Publication Committee. At the time of his death last May, Professor Mann had the entire work outlined, his notes for the first volume about completed, and fifty pages of proof had been received. It seemed at first that without Professor Mann the publication of the Diary could not be continued, but it was found that he had virtually provided for his successor in this work by associating with himself in the department of history in Lewis Institute, of which he was head professor, a younger man, who had for some years made special study of the life and times of Polk and his predecessors, Mr. M. M. Quaife. Professor Mann had shown his confidence in Mr. Quaife's ability by suggesting to him the possibility of undertaking the editing of the Polk correspondence. It has therefore come about quite naturally that the Publication Committee has entrusted the continuation of the editing of the Diary to Mr. Quaife.

The importance of the publication of the Polk Diary at once becomes apparent when one realizes that the re-establishment of the independent Treasury, the settlement of the Oregon boundary question, and the cession of New Mexico and California by Mexico to the United States were only part of the program which Polk planned and carried out before he left the White House. The Diary will fill three large volumes and is to be printed in the best possible manner by the Cambridge University Press. The set will be priced at $15.00.

The publication of this unique work cannot fail to reflect great credit upon the Society, and the fact that it

Publications—(Concluded)

has been undertaken and has progressed thus far successfully is mainly due to the discriminating judgment, in matters historical, and persistent effort of Professor Mann, together with the enthusiastic support of this Committee.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—

Throughout the month of February the Reading Room of the Society's Building was given over to an exhibition of Lincolniana which filled six large table-cases, and all of the available wall space, aggregating nearly five hundred items. Although almost unnoticed by the Press the exhibit attracted over two thousand visitors, the attendance on February 12 being eight hundred. A large proportion of the visitors were children who came in classes accompanied by the principals or teachers of their respective schools, in response to special postal invitations sent out by the Entertainment Committee.

The exhibit was in part as follows:

CASE I. ROBERT T. LINCOLN LOAN.

Portraits—

Miniature on ivory, painted from life at Springfield, Ill., in 1860, by John Henry Brown, at the request of Judge John M. Read of Philadelphia.

Daguerreotype. This portrait has been the subject of much discussion, many persons doubting that Lincoln posed for it. The point has now been settled. Dr. Samuel Willard, a corresponding member, who saw Lincoln in 1843, wrote the President of this Society raising this question and suggesting that the portrait was a better likeness of John P. Reynolds, a resident of Springfield, than it was of Abraham Lincoln. This letter was referred to Mr. Robert T. Lincoln, who sent a copy of his reply to Dr. Willard (dated March 22, 1909) to the present writer. It is in part as follows, "I confess you make what would be a strong case if I did not know that the facts are otherwise. The daguerreotype which you saw is one of a pair, one being a likeness of my father, and the other of my mother. I have both of them. They were in all

probability taken during my father's single term in Congress 1847-9. The daguerreotypes as portraits of my father and mother, being in my father's house from my earliest recollection, there can be no possible doubt that they were made as portraits of them''....

Engraved vignette made by the American Bank Note Company.

Carte de visite photograph of Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln, January, 1863.

Manuscripts—

Survey and Report on Road from Musick's Ferry, via New Salem to Sangamon County Line, 1834.

Correspondence with Stephen A. Douglas July, 1858, arranging the Joint Debates. 4 letters.

First draft of opening paragraph of the First Inaugural Address. Written before the President-Elect left Springfield. 1 sheet of note paper.

First Inaugural Address as read by President Lincoln, March 4, 1861. Printed with interlineations in Lincoln's handwriting.

Draft Proclamation (April 15, 1861), calling out State Militia to the aggregate of 75,000 men, and convening Special Session of Congress, July 4, 1861.

First Draft of the Preliminary Emancipation Proclamation July 22, 1862. Not issued.

Address at Executive Mansion Nov. 10, 1864, on presidential election.

Letter from Isaac N. Arnold, 1865, requesting the President to give the original draft of the Emancipation Proclamation to the Ladies of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair, later to be deposited with the Chicago Historical Society.

Lincoln's letter transmitting the draft of the Emancipation Proclamation to the Ladies of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—(Continued)

Miscellaneous—

Order of procession at Gettysburg Dedication.

Two copies of the Century article, February, 1894, containing facsimile of Gettysburg Address.

Photograph of an engraving of the Deathbed Scene, April 15th, 1865.

Photographs of engine and baggage car of Chicago & Alton Funeral Train to Springfield, May 2nd, 1865, with time-tables and order of funeral procession.

FRANK E. STEVENS LOAN.

Muster Roll of Captain Abraham Lincoln's Company of Mounted Volunteers, commanded by Brig-Gen. Samuel Whitesides, mustered into the service of the U. S. at Beardstown, Ill., on the 28th day of April, 1832 [list of 32 names]. Signed at Beardstown this 25th day of April, 1832..... Commanding the Company. Mustered and Countersigned this 28th day of April, 1832, *Signed* John J. Hardin, Inspector and Mustering Officer.

Muster Roll of Captain Abraham Lincoln's Company, of the 4th Regt. of the Brigade of Mounted Volunteers, commanded by Brig. Gen'l Samuel Whitesides, *mustered out of service at the mouth of Fox River May 27th, 1832* [list of 68 names] *Signed* Abraham Lincoln, Capt. Double sheet written on both sides in Lincoln's hand except words in italic.

GENERAL MARTIN D. HARDIN LOAN.

Near this case on an easel was placed an oil portrait of Colonel John J. Hardin, painted when he was U. S. Mustering Officer in the Black Hawk War.

MRS. MARY SWING RICKER LOAN.

Lincoln's silver napkin-ring and goblet given by Mrs. Lincoln to Prof. David Swing about 1874 and by him to his daughter Mary.

FRANCIS XAVIER MCKENNA LOAN.

Twenty-dollar gold piece set in a silver Maltese cross engraved: "Presented by Abraham Lincoln to Sarah C. Ford [7 years of age] April 24, 1861." The occasion of this presentation was Lincoln's admiration for the little girl's loyalty to her father.

CASE II. W. F. DUMMER LOAN.

Letters of Abraham Lincoln to Hon. H. E. Dummer of Jacksonville, Ill.—

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 2, 1844, relative to a deed to 40 acres of land.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 18, 1845, relative to Lincoln's chances for the congressional nomination.

Springfield, Ill., March 28, 1853, enclosing $3.00.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 17, 1853, relative to a claim against George E. Grubb.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 26, 1853, relative to the Grubb Debt.

Springfield, Ill., March 10, 1855, relative to collecting a bond of $2,000.

Springfield, Ill., March 19, 1855, enclosing a bond and two letters, and relating to Logan's running for the Supreme Bench.

Springfield, Ill., July 20, 1858, relative to a bill for $50, against Dr. Sprague.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 5, 1858, relative to the admission of more slave states.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 8, 1860, relative to Messrs. H. C. Chadsey & Co's right to use certain lard tanks and apparatus.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 5, 1855, letter to Isham Reavis, Esq., relative to R.'s reading law with him.

JOHN T. WEBER LOAN.

Manuscripts—

A legal opinion mentioning no names signed A. Lincoln, dated Urbanna (*sic.*) Oct. 18, 1850.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—(Continued)

Autograph letter of Abraham Lincoln to T. R. Webber, dated Bloomington, Sept. 12, 1853. Subject, McLean Co. assessed property of Illinois Central R. R.

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Manuscripts—

Field-notes and Plats [1834] in pencil.

Copy of a letter of A. Lincoln to Miss Mary Speed, dated Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 27, 1841.

Affidavit in handwriting of Joseph Gillespie that foregoing letter is a true copy, etc.

Joseph Gillespie, born in 1809, was a close personal friend of Lincoln, and presided over the second Republican State Convention at Decatur, May 9, 1860, which resulted in the nomination of Lincoln at Chicago one week later.

Autograph letter of Abraham Lincoln to Judge John Marshall of Shawneetown, Ill., dated Springfield, Feb. 8, 1854, the gift of Mrs. H. H. Hayes, a granddaughter of John Marshall. This very friendly letter recounts that the writer had received from John Marshall 50 copies of a book entitled "Early Engagements", by Sarah Marshall, the daughter of the latter, had placed them in the hands of three local dealers for sale, and that Mrs. Lincoln had already read the copy he took home. With the letter were exhibited a copy of "Early Engagements," which was the first novel by an Illinois woman, having been published in 1854, and a photograph of the author, also gifts of Mrs. Hayes.

Letter signed by George W. Dole, G. S. Hubbard and W. H. Brown, inquiring of Mr. Lincoln as to

Norman B. Judd's conduct toward Lincoln in the senatorial contest of 1854, and in the canvass of 1858, dated Chicago, Dec. 12, 1859.

Autograph letter of A. Lincoln to Messrs. Dole, Hubbard and Brown, of Chicago, dated Springfield, Dec. 14, 1859, vindicating Norman B. Judd. 3 pages, quarto.

A very important letter.

Autograph letter of Simon Cameron, Secretary of War, to John A. Mulligan, dated War Dept., May 17, 1861. Marked "Approved, A. Lincoln," notifying Mulligan that the President accepted the regiment tendered by him.

Autograph letter of A. Lincoln, dated Washington, June 16, 1861, to Ninian W. Edwards regarding a request made by the latter.

Autograph letter of O. H. Browning to N. W. Edwards, dated Washington, July 14, 1861, same subject as above.

"Lincoln's Lost Speech," being the notes of H. C. Whitney.

Letter from Joseph Medill to Edward Gay Mason, President of the Chicago Historical Society, transmitting Lincoln's Bloomington Speech (Mr. Whitney's *ms.*) delivered before first Republican State Convention in 1856, as a gift to the Society. Dated Chicago, Nov. 6, 1896.

Letter from Ida M. Tarbell to Mr. Joseph Medill, dated New York, August 6, 1896, transmitting Whitney's manuscript of "Lincoln's Lost Speech."

Photo fac-simile of letter of Lincoln to the father and mother of Col. E. E. Ellsworth.

Two facsimilies of the Emancipation Proclamation.

CASE III.

This case was occupied by several hundred souvenirs of Lincoln's political campaigns, and original photographs of Lincoln and his contemporaries, nearly all of them belonging to the permanent collection of the Society. A few of the rarest of these are as follows:

A five-pointed star of soft metal bearing an embossed head of Lincoln and the words "WIDE AWAKE." The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

This was a badge adopted by the Pioneer Wide Awakes, an organization formed by E. E. Ellsworth, in Chicago in in 1860, to aid in the election of Lincoln. This is said to be the rarest of Lincoln badges.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—(Continued)

Fulton County Wide Awakes' Banner.

This banner was made by Seely & Bent and presented to Captain Dyer, organizer of the above-mentioned Republican marching club, from whom it passed to Mrs. Eunice Bent, of Evanston, who loaned it to the Society for exhibition during "Lincoln Week."

Brass medal, bearing on obverse bust facing right. "Hon. Abraham Lincoln, 1860," and the name of the diemaker, Ellis. Reverse a scene representing Lincoln splitting rails. Legend "The Rail Splitter of the West."

Brass token carrying on obverse and reverse tintype portraits of Lincoln and Hannibal Hamlin, 1860.

Satin badge bearing portrait of Lincoln, and the words "Our Ticket, 1860—For President, Abraham Lincoln, for Vice-President, Hannibal Hamlin."

Satin badge bearing the portrait of Stephen A. Douglas and the words "Democratic Invincible Club, Chicago."

Original Brady Photograph of Lincoln and Tad. Presented just as framed, by President Lincoln to a friend in Illinois. Loaned by W. P. MAYER.

Photograph of part of the parade that filed past Lincoln's Home at Springfield on August 8, 1860. (Lincoln on porch.) Loaned by Mr. RICHARD E. SCHMIDT.

Small framed photograph of Lincoln, by Hesler, of Chicago. (Showing Lincoln without beard.) Loaned by MISS ROBIN COPELIN, a grandniece of Hesler.

CASE IV. CHARLES F. GUNTHER LOAN.

Among fifty-four articles mainly associated with the death and obsequies of President Lincoln the following were particularly interesting:

Manuscripts—

Note to the Secretary of War, April 10, 1865, (the day after the fall of Richmond) on small card, "Tad wants some flags. Can he be accommodated?" *Signed* A. Lincoln.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—(Continued)

Note undated, "Let Master Tad have a Navy sword." *Signed* A. Lincoln.

Relics—

Ballot—"Straight Republican Ticket—Lincoln", undated.

Door-plate "A. Lincoln," from Springfield residence.

High hat worn by Abraham Lincoln on journey from Springfield to Washington to be inaugurated.

Umbrella once the property of Abraham Lincoln.

Almanac for 1853, said to have been used by Lincoln in securing the acquittal of "Duff" Armstrong, of the charge of murder.

Bill of the play "Our American Cousin," Ford's Theatre, April 14, 1865.

Tickets of admission to Ford's Theatre, April 14, 1865.

Blood-stained sheet from Lincoln's death-bed in the Peterson house.

Framed picture from above-mentioned room.

United States flag in which the President's body was wrapped when taken from the Peterson house to the White House.

Pair of foils and broadsword, once the property of J. Wilkes Booth.

Shoe dropped by Booth's horse in flight from Ford's Theatre.

Framed picture showing capture of Booth.

Photographs—

Funeral train entering Chicago over Illinois Central Railroad.

Chicago Committee appointed to receive and escort President Lincoln's remains.

Arch in Park Row, Chicago.

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Funeral Car as it stood side-tracked in Chicago.

Chicago Court House when the President's remains lay in state there.

Funeral at Lincoln Residence, Springfield.

Springfield Funeral Committee.

Burial of Lincoln at Springfield.

Hearse used at Lincoln obsequies.

Among other mementos of the death and funeral of President Lincoln were the following:

Lithograph "The Assassination of President Lincoln," showing front view of box in which are seated President and Mrs. Lincoln, Miss Harris, and Colonel H. R. Rathbone, published by Currier & Ives, N. Y.; a photograph of Miss Harris, afterwards Mrs. Rathbone; a lithograph, "Death of President Lincoln at Washington, April 15, 1865," Currier & Ives, N. Y.; "Harper's Weekly," Saturday, May 6, 1865, showing Booth jumping from the President's box. Loaned by Mr. Henry R. Rathbone, a son of Col. Rathbone.

Black velvet coronet, white tarlatan streamer, black crape sash (crossing breast) and black ribbon neck tie, worn April 1865, when thirty-six high school girls of Chicago, representing the states, placed flowers on Lincoln's casket, as it rested on the catafalque, near Park Row. Loaned by Mrs. Jas. M. Woodford.

Photograph of arch in Park Row, catafalque, and thirty-six school girls who scattered flowers; photograph of Lincoln family; photograph of Lincoln home at Springfield, draped in mourning. Loaned by Mrs. J. U. Keun.

Small photograph, Lincoln's horse draped in mourning, taken in front of Lincoln's home, Springfield; also small photograph of funeral car side-tracked in Chicago. Loaned by Mrs. Eva E. Pierce.

Photograph of Lincoln funeral procession in Lake Street, Chicago, looking west from roof of Illinois Central Railway Depot. Loaned by Miss Harriet Lane, of Freeport.

CASE V. J. B. OAKLEAF LOAN.

Books—

"The Wisdom of Abraham Lincoln," New York, *A. Wessels Co.*, 1908.

"Selections from the works of Abraham Lincoln, Souvenir of the Seventh Annual Dinner, Republican Club, New York City, Feb. 11, 1893."

Ninth Annual Dinner, The Republican Club City of New York, Feb. 12, 1895."

"Hymn on the Death of Lincoln," by Walt Whitman, London, *Edward Arnold*, 1900.

"Ke Keiki Paronia." Samuel C. Andrews, Nu Yoka, 1869.

"From Nybyggarehemmet Till Hoita Huset" af Wm. M. Thayer, Stockholm, 1886.

Japanese Life of Lincoln.

"Abraham Lincoln," von E. Otto, *Eden Pub. Co.*, St. Louis, Mo.

"Abraham Lincoln" by Robert G. Ingersoll, New York, 1907.

"Tribune Tracts No. 6: Life of Abraham Lincoln," by John L. Scripps, New York, 1860.

"The First Published Life of Lincoln, Written in the year 1860," by John Locke Scripps, reprinted in the year 1900 by the *Cranbrook Press*.

"Abraham Lincoln, A Biographical Essay," by Carl Schurz, with an Essay on the Portraits of Lincoln, by Truman H. Bartlett, Boston and New York: *Houghton, Mifflin & Co.*, 1907.

JULIUS FRANKEL LOAN.

"Abraham Lincoln," by Carl Schurz, 1891. Autographed by the Author.

"The Lincoln Centennial Medal," G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, 1908.

"History of the Brooklyn and Long Island Sanitary Fair, 1865.

Copy presented to the President of the United States November 5, 1864.

CASE VI.

This case contained collections of a miscellaneous character which were received too late to classify.

PORTRAITS.

Reliefs—

Head of Abraham Lincoln in bronze, heroic size, by Gutzon Borglum, being a replica of the marble head accepted by Congress for the Capitol. The gift of MR. JOSEPH HARRIS, a member of the Society.

Bronze tablet mounted on marble upon which is embossed a medallion of Abraham Lincoln, the work of B. V. Brenner, and the text of the Gettysburg Address. The gift of Spaulding & Company through the President, MR. CHARLES F. GREENE.

Square plaque bearing head of Lincoln in relief, after life-mask, by Helen L. Bowman. The gift of the ARTIST.

Medallion bearing head of Lincoln in relief, by Pickett. The gift of MR. L. G. MULLER.

Square copper plaque bearing head of Lincoln in relief. The gift of MR. ROBERT E. HILLS.

Bronze medal 3 inches in diameter, elaborately inscribed and bearing on the obverse the bust of Lincoln facing left, and on the reverse an altar and an allegorical figure.

A tribute to Lincoln's memory by the French people, engraved by Franky Magniadas. An impression of this medal in gold was presented to the widow of Lincoln by 40,000 French citizens.

Bronze medal 2½ inches in diameter issued at the time of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair, Chicago, 1865. Obverse bust facing left. Reverse figure of Columbia.

Bronze medal in form of an oval locket, one inch in its greater diameter, signed H. Bouvet, Paris. Obverse bust facing left. Reverse "Abraham Lincoln 15th April, 1865. Martyr to Liberty." The gift of S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Paintings—

Portrait in oil of Abraham Lincoln by G. P. A. Healy. Loaned by the Trustees of THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY.

Portrait in oil by James Colcord, owned by the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

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Etchings—

Etching from Hesler Photograph, by Henry Taylor, Jr. Loaned by MISS MILDRED A. JENKINS.

Etching of Abraham Lincoln, signed "T. Johnson." The gift of MR. SAMUEL M. NICKERSON.

Engravings—

"The first reading of the Emancipation Proclamation before the Cabinet," engraved by Richie, New York, 1866, after painting by Carpenter. The gift of MR. ERSKINE M. PHELPS.

"Abraham Lincoln," a large framed engraving by John Sartain, Philadelphia. Below the picture is the following: "Head after a photograph from life, the picture by Boyle." Published by R. R. Landon, Agt., 88 Lake St., Chicago. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

"Abraham Lincoln," a large framed engraving. Painted and engraved by Wm. E. Marshall.

"Lincoln and His family," engraved by A. B. Walter after painting by F. Schell, published by John Dainty, Philadelphia.

"Emancipation Proclamation," written in such a manner that the shaded strokes form a portrait of Lincoln. Loaned by PROF. ELIAS COLBERT.

Engraving of Abraham Lincoln, engraved and published by J. C. Butler, New York, from photograph by M. B. Brady. Border design by W. Momberger. Framed in old walnut. Owned by the Society.

Engraved portrait of Abraham Lincoln, by Brown and Bigelow, St. Paul, 1907. Gift of BERRY BROTHERS.

"Lincoln and His Family," large framed engraving, by Wm. Sartain after painting by S. B. Waugh. Printed by Irwin and Sartain. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

Engraved portrait of Lincoln by H. Guyler, after painting by J. H. Littlefield, 1869. Owned by the SOCIETY.

Special Exhibits—Lincoln—(Continued)

Lithographs, etc.—

Half-tone bust portrait of Lincoln. Souvenir of Abraham Lincoln, published by M. T. Sheahan, Boston. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Half-tone three-quarter length portrait of Lincoln. Souvenir of Abraham Lincoln, published by M. T. Sheahan, Boston. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Large lithograph "President Lincoln at Home reading the Scriptures to his Wife and Son." Published by Currier and Ives, New York, 1865. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Large poster picture of Abraham Lincoln, used as illustration in *American Magazine*, Nov. 1907. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Large lithographic portrait of Lincoln, published by Kurz & Allison, Chicago, n. d. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, Jr.

Lithograph "The Death Bed of the Martyr President, Abraham Lincoln, Washington, Saturday Morning, April 15th, 1865, at 22 Minutes Past 7 o'clock." The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

Lithograph "Assassination of President Lincoln, Ford's Theatre, Washington, 1865", published by Currier and Ives, New York, 1865. The gift of PROF. CHARLES W. MANN.

Twenty-four half-tone portraits of Lincoln (used as illustrations in Lincoln Centennial Number of *The Century)* mounted on boards. The gift of W. W. ELLSWORTH.

Oil Chromos—

"Lincoln and His Cabinet." Transparency on glass. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

"Boyhood of Lincoln." Prang's oil chromo of East man Johnson's painting. The gift of DR. O. L SCHMIDT.

Oil chromo of Lincoln. Oval. Cincinnati, 1864. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

Photographs—

Enlarged photograph of Abraham Lincoln, Ge John A. McClernand and Allan Pinkerton on the

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Battle-field of Antietam, Sept. 1862. The gift of MESSRS. ALLAN and W. A. PINKERTON.

Photograph of Borglum head of Lincoln, autographed by the Sculptor. Loaned by MRS. ELEANOR ATKINSON.

Original photograph, size 6½ by 9 inches, unmounted, taken at the solicitation of D. B. Cooke, in 1859, by S. M. Fassett, Chicago. 2 prints, the gifts of the late MRS. MARIA G. CARR and CHAS. HARPEL.

Photograph of marble statue "Lincoln the Rail Splitter." The gift of the Sculptor, C. J. MULLIGAN.

Photograph of marble statue of Lincoln, at Pana, Ill. The gift of the Sculptor, C. J. MULLIGAN.

Photographic copy of Brady photograph of Abraham Lincoln in possession of Mr. George Morris Eckles. The gift of MR. ECKLES.

Portrait in oil of Stephen T. Logan, Lincoln's law partner 1841–44, by G. P. A. Healy, owned by the Chicago Historical Society. Originally presented to the Society by EZRA B. MCCAGG.

Portrait in oil of Stephen A. Douglas, by Lassier, owned by the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Special Exhibits—James K. Polk—

Tuesday evening, June 15, on the occasion of the lecture by Mr. M. M. Quaife on, "The Obscuration of James K. Polk," an exhibit of Polk manuscripts and portraits was opened, this being the first opportunity given to the public to examine the Polk documents. Owing to the fact that the Society is about to publish the Diary of President Polk, some features of this exhibit are here dwelt upon at greater length than would otherwise have been the case. The exhibit consisted of the following, the annotation of the letters being by Mr. Quaife:—

President Polk's Trunk. On his return home at the expiration of his presidential term Polk sorted his papers, tied them in bundles, and put them into this trunk. Thus they were preserved for several decades, until trunk and contents were purchased by this Society in 1901.

Diary of James K. Polk, 1845 to 1849, in twenty-four small quarto volumes in the hand of the President. The following lines extracted from the first volume seem somewhat prophetic of the partial obscuration from which the achievements of Polk have suffered: "November 2, 1845. It was Communion day in the Church and the sermon was solemn and forcible. It awakened the reflection that I had lived fifty years and that before fifty years more would expire I would be sleeping with the generations which have gone before me. I thought of the vanity of this world's honors—how little they would profit me half a century hence, and that it was time for me to be 'putting my house in order.' "

Letters:

Polk to President Andrew Jackson, on the second United States Bank, Aug. 23d, 1834.

Polk's draft defending the relations which he intends to establish between himself and the members of his Cabinet, together with the rules of political conduct which he expects them to observe. A copy of this draft was presented to each man whom he invited into his Cabinet, and the offer was made conditional upon the acceptance of its terms.

Copy of a letter from Gen. Winfield Scott, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Army, to Senator Archer, of New York (a Whig) commenting disrespectfully on the Polk administration, February 6, 1846. This is one of the most interesting letters in the Polk collection. The endorsement on the envelope is in Polk's hand, and tells how he came to get possession of this copy. Polk's wrath was deeply stirred by this letter and to it is due the fact that Zachary Taylor, rather than Scott, was given charge of the forces of the United States in the early part of the Mexican War. Benton advised Polk to "exile" Scott to some Indian post on the northern frontier, during the course of the war. It was only after Polk became convinced of

Taylor's incapacity that he permitted Scott to take part in the war, and he relented then only because of absolute necessity. A portion of the letter follows:—

"With the officering of the new corps I am sure I should not be allowed the least possible agency except in favor of a Democrat. Not an eastern man, not a graduate of the Military Academy, and certainly not a *Whig* could obtain a place under such prescriptive circumstances. You may be certain I shall not dishonor myself by recommending any individual whatsoever."

A draft, in Buchanan's hand, of a Cabinet decision as to its policy upon a point which arose in the course of the dispute which lead to the war with Mexico. Mr. Slidell was sent by Polk to Mexico as a special minister in a last effort to bring about a peaceable ending of the dispute. His rejection by the Mexican government made the war inevitable. *Undated.*

Letter of George Bancroft on the Oregon Question. Probably written while a member of Polk's Cabinet. April 27, —. "Colonel Benton's suggestions concerning the Mexican War, given at my request. *Confidential.* July 4, 1846." (Polk's endorsement on the envelope.)

Letter in Spanish of Santa Anna to Alexander S. Mackenzie, 15 August, 1846.

Report of a Cabinet discussion over the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. In the hand of J. Knox Walker, Polk's private secretary.

Polk's veto of the anticipated Irish Famine Relief Bill. 1847 was the year of the terrible Irish famine. It was expected that Congress would appriate a half million dollars for the relief of the sufferers. Polk's strict constructionist principles lead him to believe such action unconstitutional. He therefore prepared this veto message to be used in the event of the passage of the bill.

Portraits—

Photograph from the original painting by Thomas Sully, in the possession of the Didactic Society of the University of North Carolina.

Special Exhibits—Polk—(Continued)

Photograph of the original painting by G. P. A. Healy, 1845, owned by the Tennessee Historical Society. Never published.

Engraving from the original painting by Chappel.

Engraving from a painting after Healy.

Mezzotint in "The Life of James Knox Polk", by John S. Jenkins, 1850.

Engraving, artist unknown.

Lithograph in colors, published in 1844, by N. Currier.

Woodcut in *Democratic Review*, 1838.

Whig cartoon on Presidential Campaign of 1844.

Whig cartoon on Tariff of 1846.

Democratic cartoon on the Annexation of Texas.

Pamphlets—

"Proceedings of the Harbor and River Convention held at Chicago, July Fifth, 1847: Together with Full List of Names of Delegates . . . . published by order of the Convention," Chicago, *printed by R. L. Wilson, Daily Journal Office*, 1847.

"Memorial of the Chicago Convention in Favor of the Improvement of Harbors and Rivers by the General Government, presented to Congress June 19, 1848."

"Report of Jesse B. Thomas as a member of the Executive Committee appointed by the Chicago Harbor and River Convention, on the Statistics concerning the City of Chicago," Chicago, *printed by R. L. Wilson, Daily Journal Office*, 1847.

"Gen. Cass' Letter to the Harbor and River Convention," Second Edition, Chicago, *Journal Press*, 1848. A miniature book of seven pages slightly larger than a postage stamp, but containing the text of the letter in English, French, and in exact facsimile of reduced size. The letter reads in full as follows:

"Detroit, May 29 [1847]. *Dear Sir:* I am much obliged to you for your kind attention in transmitting me an invitation to attend the Convention on internal improvements which will meet in

Chicago in July. Circumstances, however, will put it out of my power to be present at that time. I am, Dear Sir, Respectfully yours, LEWIS CASS."

The above seemingly innocent communication was issued as a political lampoon by Cass' opponents to defeat his election to the presidency as Democratic candidate in 1848, and was probably more widely circulated than any similar document up to that time. To understand the sarcasm of the publicity given to this letter it is necessary to turn to the newspaper reports of the Harbor Convention. Horace Greeley in a letter to the *New York Tribune*, dated Chicago, July 8, 1847, wrote: "No man can read the letters addressed to this Convention, in answer to invitations to attend, without being struck with the palpable difference of tone and spirit which separates the statesmen of the two great parties. On the Whig side all is frank and unqualified—as for example, Mr. Webster's, the reading of which called forth three spontaneous and hearty cheers. Nobody is left to guess at the position of Mr. Webster. Turn from this to the letters of eminent Loco-Foco statesmen, beginning with that of Gen. Cass, a U. S. Senator from harborless Michigan, and an aspirant for the Presidency *via* South Carolina. Did mortal man ever before see such a letter from one who is by position and was by profession friendly to the objects of the Convention? It was listened to with hardly less astonishment than indignation." Other reports state that it was read repeatedly throughout the Convention and was invariably greeted with hisses and every possible mark of derision. Biographers of Cass devote many pages to explaining away this celebrated letter.

The above mentioned pamphlets were particularly interesting to Chicago people, for they recalled the fact that out of Polk's veto of the River and Harbor bill of 1846 grew what Congressman John Wentworth styled "that wonderful event in the history of Chicago, the River and Harbor Convention of 1847." The Harbor bill, carrying an appropriation of $12,000 for improving the harbor at Chicago, had, through the endeavors of

Mr. Wentworth, received the powerful support of Daniel Webster, resulting in a decisive majority of both houses, so that when it received President Polk's veto the whole Northwest arose against him and a Convention was called, at Chicago, for the purpose of protecting the interests of internal commerce.

The passage in the veto message which particularly stirred the ire of the inhabitants of the metropolis of the Northwest is the following, in which he alludes in deprecating terms to the improvement of harbors on the "Northern Lake Route:" "It would seem the dictate of wisdom under such circumstances* to husband our means and not waste them on comparatively unimportant objects." After quoting the above, the *Chicago Journal* of August 12, 1846, comments as follows: "Thus discourses James K. Polk, in his veto message, and the sentiment is an *insult* to the country. 'Husband our means' forsooth. Are not *millions* being squandered by this same James K. Polk for the invasion of Mexico and the extension of slavery.... And yet Mr. Polk outrages the intelligence of the people, his masters, by claiming, when a pittance is asked for a great Northern interest, that we must '*husband* our means!' *That the object* for which we ask them is comparatively UNIMPORTANT!" After a caption bearing a hand pointing, the *Journal* of September 17 printed the following: "Who is James K. Polk? Answer ye 54°-40″ Crusaders. Answer ye betrayed and insulted Pennsylvanians. Answer ye friends of internal improvements. Answer ye long suffering claimants of National Justice. Answer ye Hard-Currency 'Democrats.' Answer ye advocates of Freedom. Answer ye friends of Peace. Who is James K. Polk?"

Mr. Wentworth has said that the delegates assembled in the River and Harbor Convention were "the most talented, enterprising, wealthy and influential men from all parts of the country." The eyes of the nation as a whole were for the first time turned upon Chicago and it has been said that this Convention was the starting point for Chicago's unprecedented prosperity. Thus President Polk became one of

*The circumstances as recited in the message were that "Some of the objects of the appropriation are local in their character.... are not connected with foreign commerce, nor are they places of refuge for our navy or commercial marine on the ocean or lake shores."

her most powerful promoters. It was during these deliberations that Thomas Corwin and Horace Greeley predicted that the West was destined to become the ruler of this continent.

The presence of the President of the United States in the Mississippi Valley during the past month, on a tour of inspection looking toward the improvement of harbors and rivers, furnishes material for an interesting comparison of conditions in the 40's and now—a comparison which serves to emphasize the fact that a different estimate of the relative importance of the Central West obtains to-day.

It is impossible to leave the subject of Polk and the Chicago Harbor Convention without noting the fugitive references contained in its reports to another luminary whose pale shining was beginning to be felt even in 1847. Hon. A. Lincoln was enrolled as one of three delegates from Sangamon County, Ill. The Official Report of the Proceedings of July 6 states that, "Abraham Lincoln of Illinois being called upon addressed the Convention briefly." His words were not considered of sufficient importance to be reported, but Mr. Greeley in his letter to the *New York Tribune* comments as follows: "In the afternoon Hon. Abraham Lincoln, a tall specimen of an Illinoian, just elected to Congress from the only Whig District in the State, was called on and spoke briefly and happily in reply to Mr. Field." *The Chicago Journal* of that day makes the following announcement of the presence of Mr. Lincoln in the city, "Abraham Lincoln, the only Whig representative to Congress from this State, we are happy to see is in attendance upon the Convention. This is his first visit to the commercial emporium of the State and we have no doubt his visit will impress him more deeply, if possible, with the importance, and inspire a higher zeal for the great interest of River-and-Harbor improvements. We expect much of him as a representative in Congress and we have no doubt our expectations will be more than realized, for never was reliance placed in a nobler heart and a sounder judgment. We know the banner he bears will never be soiled."

Field Work—

On Saturday afternoon, April 20th, the Librarian accompanied members of the Geographical Society and

other organizations on a six mile walk across country in the valley of the Grand Calumet river, from Clark, Ill., to Gary, Ind. The region is interesting not only because of its Indian village sites, but it has received minute study by local historians because of the theory advanced by Dr. Albert D. Hager, for many years Secretary of this Society, that the Calumet and not the Chicago river was the route taken by Marquette. Similar tramps, designated "The Saturday Afternoon Walking Trips," are planned to embrace every locality of historic or geographic interest in northern Illinois, and as each is under the direction of a competent leader they may prove of value to students of local history, but they are certain to emphasize the desirability of taking steps to preserve the beautiful natural surroundings of our city. The name of this Society has been added to the list of organizations interested.

During a week's vacation at Mackinac Island, July 26-31, the Librarian made repeated pilgrimages to the Astor House, the former trading post of the American Fur Company, with the object of ascertaining if the records of the Company which she saw there in 1898 were still in the keeping of the Hotel, a doubt having arisen on this point owing to the fact that a set of six account books of the Company were offered for sale last spring. After many fruitless visits nine books were finally produced by the proprietor, and an afternoon most enjoyably spent in their examination. As at present constituted the set consists of seven account books, 1818 to 1851, and two letterbooks, 1815 to 24. At the request of the Librarian, Mrs E. M. Williams, the daughter of Gurdon S. Hubbard, who was at her summer home at "Hubbard's Annex," very kindly undertook to negotiate the purchase of the books, which contain numerous references to her father's connection with the Company, but without avail, for the owners say that they draw visitors to the hotel and are part of their stock in trade. Inasmuch as the documents are of too great importance, historically, to be subjected to the hazards of a flimsy showcase in a loghouse, thumbed over by the careless hands of merely casual visitors, it may be thought proper to have copies of the letterbooks made. Mrs. Williams expressed the hope that she might be able to purchase the volumes and present them to this Society as a memorial of her father and mother. The names

Field Work—(Continued)

Beaubien, Hubbard, Kinzie and Newberry appear on almost every page and occasionally is found such an item as the following extract from a letter dated Mackinac, October 29, 1819, from Robert Stuart to John Kinzie, Sr., at Chicago.

"John enjoys good health and will I have no doubt turn out a very fine fellow. I am much pleased with his conduct. I am and will give him every advantage this place and his station affords." The letter from which the above is quoted is a request for Messrs. Kinzie's and Beaubien's services in adjusting a claim against Chandonnai. Mr. Stuart's high opinion of young Kinzie expressed to his father did not prevent him from being a stern disciplinarian.

The old press and great wooden wheel for hoisting furs are still in place on the second floor of the log storehouse which with the trading house and other buildings surround a central square as in a fort. Standing in the low hand-hewn doorway of one of these whitewashed buildings the beholder has little difficulty in peopling the sunny square with the youthful figures of Hubbard and Kinzie and of their dignified employers, Ramsey Crooks and Robert Stuart, making one feel repaid for the journey to the Island by the historical perspective thus gained.

On August 27 was held the Third Annual Pilgrimage of the Sauk County Historical Society and Home Coming at Newport, Wisconsin, at which time a monument erected in commemoration of the Sauk Chief, Yellow Thunder, was unveiled, Dr. Reuben Gold Thwaites being orator of the occasion. Newport, a deserted village romantically situated on the Wisconsin river, was once the site of a quite numerous settlement, and the stone residence built there by Captain William Vanderpool in 1855 has been, since 1887, the summer home of Mr. S. H. Kerfoot's family. On the day of the Home Coming those who made the pilgrimage along the old trail which passes through Newport were shown the points of interest by Mr. and Miss Kerfoot. This bit of field-work by a member of this Society although performed in another state may not be without fruit for this Society, for if some of our members are moved to emulate the Wisconsin people in making pilgrimages along the Indian trails that enter our city from all sides,* their investigations may lead to the marking of some historic sites.

Field Work—(Continued)

On October 9 Dr. Otto L. Schmidt and the Librarian, under the guidance of Mr. Albert F. Scharf, made an expedition by automobile to certain Indian mounds on the Desplaines river. The route, by way of Grand Avenue, in early days known as Whiskey Point Road, was interesting by reason of the fact that there are still to be seen, the homesteads of many residents of the county, noted on the early maps because they formed the only conspicuous landmarks for travelers approaching Chicago from the west, and because refreshments for man and beast could usually be had at these places. When the river was reached Mr. Scharf led the party south along its east bank, which is here forty feet above the bed of the stream, to North Avenue. Here, but a few feet from the highway where automobiles pass constantly, were plainly to be seen the remains of the Kennicott Mounds, which first attracted the attention of Dr. William Stimpson and Mr. Charles Kennicott, well-known scientists of Chicago, in 1869, when they observed this group of knolls two and one-half feet above the surrounding plain, each encircled by a trench. The mounds are five in number and, as described by Mr. Scharf, lie in the form of quincunx.

From the Kennicott Mounds the party proceeded about three miles further south to Forest Home Cemetery, formerly Haas' Park. Here during the last twenty years, in the course of excavating for the city of the dead, a group of mounds has been demolished which yielded remains of two distinct epochs, namely, the stone implements and silver jewelry of the Indians, and skeletons of Mound-builders and prehistoric animals. A mass of specimens of both of these periods have been collected by Mr. William Haas, President of the Forest Home Cemetery Company, and are exhibited in his office. Large numbers also have been contributed to the Smithsonian and other museums. Mr. Scharf thinks the number and extent of the remains indicate the presence of a village on this site, in the time of Marquette, only second in importance to the great village at Bowmanville.

Dr. J. W. Foster in his *Prehistoric Races of the United States* devotes ten pages, with numerous diagrams, to the consideration of the two above-mentioned mounds. The Haas' Park Mounds are totally destroyed,

*See "Map of Indian Trails and Villages of Chicago and Vicinity," by A. F. Scharf, 1901.

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but those named after Robert Kennicott, Chicago's most famous scientist of the early days, have by strange good fortune been preserved, and to-day probably appear much as their discoverers left them, marred at the apices by excavations and shaded by a young oak forest which doubtless had but just started then. It is the opinion of Dr. Schmidt that the Kennicott Mounds should be made a feature of the Outer Belt Park System.

Relations with Historical Societies and Kindred Organizations—

During the past year nearly 600 letters were written by the Librarian. A review of the copies of these shows that the correspondence with societies is increasing.

In December, at the invitation of the Committee of One Hundred Citizens, the following were appointed to represent this Society on a Joint-Committee On the Participation of Libraries and Institutions in the Celebration of the Lincoln Centennial, of which Dr. B. J. Cigrand was chairman: Messrs. Franklin H. Head, C. F. Gunther, S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., George Merryweather, Walter C. Newberry, and the Librarian. Two meetings were held at which the following institutions were represented: the Chicago Bar Association, the Chicago Public Library, the Chicago Theological Seminary, The John Crerar Library, The Library Club, the Memorial Hall Association, The Newberry Library, and the University of Chicago. Your Librarian was appointed Secretary and Mr. Kerfoot reported on the elaborate plans of this Society. Inasmuch as the Bar Association, the Crerar and the Newberry Libraries and the Library Club reported that, on account of lack of suitable halls, they would not hold public exercises, these institutions formally accepted the invitation of the Chicago Historical Society to participate in its exercises on February 12. It was voted that frequent meetings of the officers of kindred institutions would prove of mutual benefit, and that the Committee should not be dissolved.

At the request of Mr. Samuel Verplanck Hoffman, President of the New York Historical Society, that the Chicago Historical Society would co-operate with the New York Society in an exhibition of Fulton manuscripts

to be made during September and October, in celebration of the Centennial of the Application of Steam to the Propulsion of Boats, by Robert Fulton, this Society contributed three letters from its collections.

Mr. C. M. Burton of Detroit, President of the Michigan Historical Society, writes that he has just received a donation of some eight or ten thousand manuscripts which are the first consignment of a collection of the Marine Department of the Government. Mr. Burton writes, "To me they are very interesting, and I think they will be more so to Chicago and the Northwest. They include the clearings of vessels from 1800 up, and at that time a canoe was called a vessel, so that every canoe and larger boat entering Mackinac was registered and a detailed statement given of its contents. I find frequent mention of John Kinzie, J. B. Beaubien, Rocheblave, Gaisson, and the early pioneers."

There is not a more active historical society in the State of Illinois than that of Quincy, with which a lively correspondence is maintained. Mr. E. J. Parker, President of the Society, writes that on May 22d there was unveiled, under the auspices of the Historical Society there, a most impressive statue of George Rogers Clark, to whose bravery and statesmanship we owe the fact that the Mississippi and not the Alleghanies was the western boundary of the United States at the close of the Revolution. The heroic bronze figure of Illinois' youthful champion is an imposing landmark as it stands on the high bluff overlooking the broad expanse of the Mississippi river. On June 25 a series of five marble tablets bearing the names of 115 pioneer men and women of Adams County was unveiled with impressive ceremonies in the historic home of the Quincy Historical Society in the presence of 500 members of the organization. The home of the Society was once the mansion of Governor Wood and was placed in repair and adopted as the headquarters of the Society largely through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Parker. It is a fine example of Illinois colonial architecture.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Association held its second annual meeting in St. Louis, June 17–19. In

the Conference of Historical Societies, this Society was officially represented by Mr. William A. Meese, of Moline, who read a paper entitled, "The Marking of Historic Spots in Illinois," to which this Society contributed a report on "Historic Sites of the Chicago Region." Mr. Meese's paper attracted considerable attention from the press owing to his proposing the erection of a monument to La Salle at the mouth of the Mississippi River. Twenty-eight years ago the Chicago Historiçal Society issued a circular urging the historical societies in the valleys of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to unite in celebrating the 200th anniversary of La Salle's discovery of the mouth of the Mississippi, on April 9, 1682. This project was upon the eve of being carried out when the floods of that year (1882) devastated so many cities that it had to be abandoned.

The efforts of this Society in inaugurating this movement were not fruitless, for the late Marshall Field in anticipation of the La Salle Bicentennial presented to the Society a fine portrait of the explorer painted by Healy, and the same year Hon. Lambert Tree caused to be erected in Lincoln Park a magnificent bronze statue of La Salle. And the matter did not stop there for in response to a suggestion from Judge Tree the citizens of Rouen set apart the birthday of La Salle as an annual fête and later the President of France conferred upon Judge Tree the title of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor in recognition of his efforts to perpetuate the glory of La Salle both in America and France.

Dr. Dunbar Rowland, Director of the Department of Archives and History, State of Mississippi, reports that the plan for calendaring the French archives relating to American history has been perfected through the cooperation of the following historical agencies: Alabama Department of Archives and History, Chicago Historical Society, Howard Memorial Library, Indiana Department of Archives and History, Iowa Historical Society, Illinois Historical Library, Kansas Historical Society, Missouri Historical Society, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society and the Wisconsin Historical Society, these historical agencies having contributed $2000 for the work.

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This Society each year contributes $50.00 toward the publication by the Carnegie Institution of an annual bibliography entitled, "Writings on American History."

Mr. George Merryweather, Mr. Edward L. Ryerson, and Mr. Charles H. Wacker have been appointed as a Special Committee of the Society to co-operate with the Commercial Club Committee on Plan of Chicago, in appropriately designating historic sites in connection with the proposed improvement of the city. A letter has been received from Mr. F. A. Delano, Secretary of the latter Committee, expressing high appreciation of the Society's interest in this matter.

Repairs—

While the major portion of the repairs made during the last summer had to do with the exterior of the Building certain of them have worked great improvements in the condition of the interior. A most marked change has been noticeable in the atmosphere of the Building which in former years was charged with dampness during the summer months. The change was brought about by opening several transoms on each floor, thus securing a circulation of air. Another important improvement is the new skylight which admits so much light into the main hall that the paintings and relics there can be seen satisfactorily.

All of the exterior iron was thoroughly wire-brushed and painted.

As the Librarian was absent from the city but one week during the summer she supervised the work at every stage and was thus able to enforce some of the minor details of the terms of the contracts made by Mr. Ryerson, Mr. Richard E. Schmidt and Mr. Kerfoot, which otherwise would have been interpreted somewhat more to the advantage of the contractors.

Attendance—

The number of visitors to the library and collections, exclusive of attendance at special functions, such as receptions, lectures, etc., is as follows:

	READERS		VISITORS		TOTALS
	Men	Women	Men	Women	
1st quarter,	136	13	212	82	443
2d quarter,	139	14	1464	1069	2686
3d quarter,	175	35	348	139	697
4th quarter,	178	42	300	106	626
	628	104	2324	1396	4452

Total Readers, 732. Total Visitors, 3720.

The largest attendance for one day was February 12 when 800 visitors were recorded.

Applications filed for books record 2472 volumes specifically called for. A classification of the application blanks shows the relative demand in the different classes of works to be as follows:

Chicago history, geography, etc	569
Illinois history, geography, etc	486
Chicago and Illinois newspapers	350
"Old Northwest" and Mississippi Valley	315
Biography	122
Manuscripts	53
Indians and antiquities	81
Reference and miscellaneous works	496

Among notable visitors and early residents who have signed the Visitors' Register are the following:

Katharine D. Arnold, daughter of Isaac N. Arnold, who arrived in Chicago in October, 1836.

Frederick Baumann, arrived in Chicago July 7, 1850.

Anita McCormick Blaine, daughter of Cyrus H. McCormick, who arrived in Chicago in 1847.

Charles E. Boyer, son of James A. Boyer, grandson of J. K. Boyer.

James Bryce, Washington, D. C., British Embassador to the United States.

Harriet Isham Carpenter, granddaughter of George W. Snow, who arrived in Chicago in 1832.

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Clark Ezra Carr, Galesburg, Ill., who, as Illinois' delegate on the Commission to Dedicate the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, heard Lincoln's address.

Charles B. Cooke, son of D. B. Cooke, Bookseller and Stationer.

Elizabeth Skinner Cramer, of Lake Forest, Ill., granddaughter of Judge Mark Skinner, who arrived in Chicago in July, 1836.

J. O. Cunningham, of Urbana, Ill., came to Illinois in 1836, was present during the delivery of Lincoln's "Lost Speech", and has heard him plead many cases.

Francis Ambrose Eastman, arrived in Chicago in August, 1858.

William Webster Ellsworth, of New York, Secretary of the Century Company.

John W. Foster, born corner of Pine and Illinois Street, 1851; son of Edward Foster who came to Chicago in 1837.

O. F. Fuller, arrived in Chicago Feb. 15, 1852.

A. L. Hardy, son of Isaac Hardy, who came to Chicago in 1837 and was a contractor on the Illinois and Michigan Canal.

Mrs. Fannie Bailey Hewitt, of Lake Forest, Ill. Present at the Convention that nominated Abraham Lincoln in 1860, the Sanitary Fair, and Lincoln funeral in Chicago.

Robert Hewitt, Ardsley-on-Hudson, N. Y., who has the most complete collection of Lincoln medals known.

Gustav A. Hofman, sang at the bier of Abraham Lincoln in Chicago.

William Harman Hogan, grandson of William Harman, who arrived in Chicago in 1834.

Samuel Holland, grandson of Dr. Josiah C. Goodhue, the designer of the Seal of the Village of Chicago, 1835.

E. K. Hubbard, of Middletown, Conn., born in Chi cago July 12, 1835.

L. de K. Hubbard, of Middletown, Conn., born in Chicago, Dec. 25, 1870.

Fernando Jones, arrived in Chicago May 26, 1835.

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John M. Lansden, of Cairo, Ill., son of Rev. A. W. Lansden, who came to Sangamon County in 1835, from Wilson County, Tenn.

Eli Robert Lewis, son of Joseph Lewis, who arrived in Chicago July 4, 1839.

Robert Todd Lincoln, who came to Chicago in 1865.

Miss L. W. Lull, daughter of O. R. W. Lull, member of the Chicago Historical Society, 1858–59.

Ruth Newberry, of Mt. Pleasant, Mich., great grandniece of Walter Loomis Newberry, who arrived in Chicago in 1833.

William Dana Orcutt, Boston, Mass., Manager of the Cambridge University Press.

Elizabeth W. Parker, of Washington, D. C., great granddaughter of John H. Kinzie, who was brought to Chicago by his parents in 1804, having been born the previous year at Sandwich, Canada.

Ferdinand Ernst Peebles, grandson of Ferdinand Ernst, who in 1819 brought 25 or 30 families of Germans from Hanover to Vandalia.

Alfred W. Pendleton, one of the party that went to the rescue of the "Lady Elgin."

Mrs. A. J. Pettit, granddaughter of William Wayman, who arrived in Chicago in 1832.

Charles P. Pettus, Secretary Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo., grandson of William G. Pettus, great-grandson of James Morrison and Dr. Antoine Saugrain.

Eliza Lewis Potwin, daughter of A. B. Lewis, born in Chicago June 2, 1841.

Roswell T. Spencer, son of Marshall S. Spencer, who came to Greene Co., Ill., in 1822.

Alice Barbara Stahl, of Galena, Ill., daughter of Frederick Stahl, who was present at the signing of the great Indian treaty at Chicago in 1833.

James E. Strawn, of Wheaton, Ill., a survivor of the Lincoln–Douglas first debate, Ottawa, Aug. 21, 1858.

J. Dickey Templeton, of Bloomington, Ill., son of J. H. Dickey, who came to Illinois in 1837 and was a member of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Anti-Slavery Society.

Charles Gilbert Wheeler, arrived in Chicago in 1838.

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Dr. Samuel Willard, who in 1831 at 10 years of age came with his parents to Carrolton, Ill., from Boston, via stage to Pittsburg and steamer on the Ohio, Mississippi and Illinois rivers.

Many schools and clubs have visited the Library and Museum, the following having registered:

Mary O. Arnold and 10 pupils of the Deaf Department, Ogden School.
Charles L. Blodgett and 28 pupils of the 6th Grade, Burley School.
B. I. Bullard and 65 pupils, A. G. Lane Technical High School.
Thomas C. Johnson and 30 pupils of the 8th Grade, Sheldon School.
Lucile Jones and class from A. G. Lane High School.
Adele Lackner and 23 pupils, School of Education.
June G. Launer and 12 pupils, A. G. Lane School.
M. Therese Norton and 31 pupils of the 8th Grade, Burley School.
Estelle Perry and 18 pupils of the 8th Grade, Chicago Latin School.
Matilda A. Ritter and 24 pupils of the 6th and 7th Grades, Burley School.
Ira W. Stahl and 20 pupils, A. G. Lane Technical High School.
Anna I. Stiles and 29 pupils of the 6th Grade, Burley School.
Albert S. Wilson and 12 students of the Library School of the University of Illinois.

Cataloguing—

There have been catalogued 1534 volumes, for which 1954 cards have been typewritten for the public catalogue, and 691 new entries added to the official catalogue. The total number of cards now in the general catalogue is 24,083. The Portrait Index contains 10,115 entries, and the Index of Illinois Views 2,695. During the summer a catalogue of the Society's additions to the "List of Serials in Public Libraries of Chicago," was prepared. Total 36,893 cards. The time of the cataloguer has been divided between cataloguing, taking dictation of letters,

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and copying manuscripts to be used in the Society's forthcoming publications.

The diversion of a certain amount of time from the catalogue seemed justifiable, inasmuch as the portion of the collections pertinent to the field of the Society is now for the most part entered in the Author Catalogue, and all materials are classified and accessible to the public.

The filing and listing of photographic negatives has gradually become a task of such proportions, since the rule went into operation requiring that all negatives made from its collections shall become the property of the Society, that a special filing case is being built to accommodate the collection.

Accessions—

The additions to the Library by gift and purchase since November 1, 1908, are as follow:

448 manuscripts, 1780 pamphlets, 384 miscellaneous,
915 volumes, 18 maps, 3545 total.

Of the 3545 accessions more than 3000 were donations.

More titles have been added under the head of Lincolniana than under any other class of accessions. A list of these follows on pages 283–288.

Particular attention is directed to the heading "NEWSPAPERS," in the catalogue of accessions which follows, for if the Society had made no accessions to its Library this year other than the Chicago newspapers that have been added, both by gift and purchase, there would still be matter for congratulation, for not since the gift of Hon. John Wentworth's personal file of the *Democrat* have so many papers of early date been added, in one year, to this most important class of the Society's collections.

The year opened with the purchase, from the Estate of Elijah M. Haines, of a file of the *Chicago Democrat* from 1844 to 1859; the first volume of the *Gem*

of the Prairie, 1844–5; and *The Little Fort Porcupine*, volumes one and two, 1845 to 1847.

The next accession was the *Daily Alton Courier* for 1858, the year of the Joint Debates, whose pages read like a biography of Lincoln for his every action is chronicled. The doner is Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

Another important addition is the first volume of what is styled, by old newspaper men, "Greeley's Immortal Tribune," established in 1841. The donor is Mr. Julius Frankel.

From Mr. E. M. Ashcraft was received a large collection of odd numbers of Illinois papers published between 1837 and 1887, at Alton, Vandalia, Belleville, Bloomington and Springfield. With the above was found a copy of *The Iowa Territorial Gazette*, published at Burlington, I. T., November 9, 1839. This collection, recently found in Mr. Ashcraft's old home in Vandalia, has proven particularly interesting inasmuch as several Illinois newspapers whose titles were not known to collectors thus came to light.

Another gift which cannot be passed without special mention is a complete bound file of the *Chicago Chronicle*, 1896 to 1907, forty-seven volumes. This is the gift of Mr. Harry Lincoln Sayler, Manager of the City Press Association.

At the cost of much time and considerable expense the Chicago Mendelsshon Club, through its Librarian Mr. Charles H. Strawbridge, has collected and had handsomely bound for this Society, a complete file of the programs of its forty-two concerts, together with the circulars and newspaper comments relating thereto, and in accordance with the formal action at the Club presents the same. This is an addition to the history of musical organizations in Chicago which will be most valuable in time to come.

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Only one large collection of original manuscripts in the Society's field was offered for sale during the year past, namely six account books of the American Fur Company and although effort were made to secure these, as well as nine books still in the possession of the Cable family (owners of the Astor House at Mackinac) it was of no avail, inasmuch as the book dealers in Cleveland who offered the former, asked a price about ten times their estimated value, and the latter declined to consider selling at any price as the books draw visitors to the hotel.

However the year was notable for the large number of legal papers of a local nature donated, among them the following:

From the ESTATE OF MRS. MARY ANN HUBBARD, widow of Gurdon Saltonstall Hubbard, have been received 147 documents, the earliest of which is dated 1817, being such private papers and scrap-books as remained to this aged couple after the Great Fire, cherished and added to by them through the years with the intention that they should some day become the property of this Society. Among the papers are 100 deeds, leases and mortgages to which Mr. Hubbard was a party, including some of the earliest transactions in real estate after Chicago was incorporated as a Village in 1833. One volume of great interest is a Guest Book prepared with his well known foresight by Mr. Hubbard and used at the twenty-fifth anniversary of his marriage to Mrs. Hubbard in 1868. As may be imagined it contains the signatures of all the first people of Chicago. Another volume of importance contains copies of 56 pages of a letter-book of the Astor Fur Company dated 1817-1819. It will be remembered that Mr. Hubbard was apprenticed to this company in 1818 as a lad of fifteen and came to Chicago the same year as a member of the Illinois Brigade to trade with the Indians for furs. The collection bears evidence that Mr. Hubbard's interests were as broad as the city. A minute of three early documents follows:

Autograph letter (12 pages) signed by Ram'y Crooks and Robert Stuart to John Jacob Astor. Dated New York, Jan. 24, 1818.

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Indenture between Francis & Catish Burbonnais and Samuel Rupell, dated Oct. 14, 1833. Signed by Richard J. Hamilton and G. S. Hubbard, Chicago.

Articles of agreement between Gurdon S. Hubbard, Henry G. Hubbard and Daniel S. Griswold on entering into partnership as Forwarding and Commission Merchants, Chicago, Sept, 23, 1837.

From MR. S. LOCKWOOD BROWN was received a manuscript relating to his father, William H. Brown, the first President of this Society. This document is a testimonial signed by the principal citizens of Auburn, N. Y., of the high character and standing of Mr. Brown in the community where he was born and whence he was about to remove "to the Territory of Illinois." The document is dated Oct, 14, 1818.

From MR. JOHN T. DALE, of Winnetka, was received a valuable collection of letters relative to Camp Douglas, and Rolls of Prisoners of War paroled 1863-4, at Camp Douglas.

A letter dated Camp Douglas, July 25, 1862, written by M. A. McClelland to his brother, MR. THOMAS S. MCCLELLAND, is presented to the Society by the latter. It gives an account of the conspiracy to liberate the Confederate Prisoners confined in this Camp on the day after the events occurred.

From the ESTATE OF EZRA B. MCCAGG through Mr. Arthur B. Wells have been received six documents of much interest to Chicago. Among them the following:

Indenture of Lease entered into between Hiram Hugunin, Geo. W. Dole, Saml. Jackson, Eli B. Williams, Francis C. Sherman, James Kinzie, Alexander Loyd, Walter Kimball and Byram King, Trustees of the Town of Chicago, and Peter Bolles. Signed on November 23, 1835, by above named persons.

Document signed by Nathan H. Bolles as Administrator of Estate of Peter Bolles, Deceased, assigning rights in above indenture to William B. Bolles. Attested to by Chas. G. Wicker. Dated April 5, 1842. (Appended to above document.)

Indenture between the City of Chicago and Walter S. Gurnee & Edmund D. Taylor for the conveyance of the title to a certain Wharfing Lot, dated

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Apr. 1, 1848. Signed by James H. Woodworth, Mayor, W. S. Gurnee, E. D. Taylor. Attest, S. Abell, clerk. Seal of the City of Chicago.

Indenture entered into by the City of Chicago and George Steel regarding improvement of the channel of the river, etc., affecting property on N. Water St. owned by George Steel. Signed by George Steel, James H. Woodworth, Mayor, and attested to by S. Abell, clerk, Dec. 15, 1848. Seal of the City of Chicago.

MR. F. D. SHAW, of Evanston, presented 26 manuscript deeds dated in Chicago before the fire, also a pocket map of the city in 1875.

One of the most important gifts during this period was received from ROSWELL T. SPENCER and consists largely of documents once the property of his father and grandfather, Marshall S. and Stephen W. Spencer who came to Illinois in 1822. Many of the land grants and other legal documents of this collection are signed by early governors of Illinois and presidents of the United States, and relate to Mr. Spencer's family.

From DR. S. S. BISHOP through Dr. Schmidt was received a collection of 262 manuscripts, the same being government land patents, signed by Presidents Tyler and Van Buren, also deeds to and from a certain Solomon Juneau, tax certificates and miscellaneous papers respecting property in Milwaukee. Some of the papers were drawn when Milwaukee was in the Territory of Michigan.

From its author MR. D. D. JAMES, of Mattoon, Ill., was received a manuscript entitled, "The Genesis of Fame: Taciturn Captain Grant and the 21st Illinois Regiment."

"The Chronicles of the Sumner," a substantial volume, is an interesting example of youthful literary effort. A letter inserted in the front of the volume reads:

"This bound volume of 'The Chronicles of the Sumner' is affectionately dedicated to the youth of our country. Thirty-four years ago on March 18, 1875, a number of Chicago West Side School boys organized the Sumner Literary Society. The object was 'the mental improvement of its members.' The Society met weekly for about six

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years. It published this journal in the handwriting of the editors. . . . Every year on the last Saturday night in March the members meet and renew the close friendships formed in the old days of the famous Literary Society." The gift of the SOCIETY.

From MR. C. F. GUNTHER was received an autograph manuscript of "America," by S. F. Smith.

Attention is directed to the genealogies in manuscript of the Beaubien, Helm and Kinzie families mentioned under the heading BIOGRAHHY AND GENEALOGY.

It is earnestly hoped that the other early residents will follow the example of these families in gathering and filing their records with the Historical Society, as before many years have passed some of the information now available will be impossible to obtain and the future historian of Chicago will thus be deprived of one of his most valuable assets.

LINCOLNIANA.

"Abraham Lincoln, the Type of American Genius; an Historical Romance," by Rufus Blanchard, Wheaton, Ill., 1882. The gift of MRS. MARY ANN HUBBARD.

"Abraham Lincoln; Address delivered before the Men's League of the Broadway Tabernacle, Feb. 13, 1908," by Col. H. O. S. Heistand, New York, 1909. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

"Abraham Lincoln; Personal Reminiscences of the Martyred President," by Dr. William Jayne, Chicago: *Grand Army Hall and Memorial Association*, 1908. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"Abraham Lincoln's Werdegang und Laufbahn," by Emil Mannhardt, *n. p.*, 1909. The gift of the DEUTSCH-AMERIKANISCHE HISTORISCHE GESELLSCHAFT VON ILLINOIS.

"Abraham Lincoln; Memorial Address, 1909," by S. Schecter, New York, 1909. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

"Abraham Lincoln," by Robert Dickinson Sheppard, Milwaukee, 1899. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

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"Abraham Lincoln," by Henry Watterson. (*Cosmopolitan Magazine*, March, 1909.) The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

"Address Delivered at Cooper Institute, Feb. 27, 1860," by Abraham Lincoln, New York, 1860. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

"Appleton's Magazine, Feb., 1909; Lincoln number." The gift of MISS MABEL MCILVAINE.

"Bill Arp, So Called; a Side Show of the Southern Side of the War," by Charles H. Smith, New York, 1866.

"The Boy Lincoln," by Wm. O. Stoddard, New York, 1905.

"Boyhood of Lincoln," by Eleanor Atkinson, New York, 1908. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"The Campaign in Illinois, Speech of Senator Trumbull, at Chicago, August 7, 1858; His Private Opinion of Douglas Publicly Expressed," Washington, 1858.

"Centenary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln, Program of Exercises in Commemoration of that Event," Washington, *Oldroyd*, 1908.

"The Chicago Bar Association Dinner in Commemoration of Abraham Lincoln as a Lawyer, Feb. 11, 1909." The gift of the ASSOCIATION.

"Col. McClure's Statement of Lincoln's Journey," *n. p.* 1908. The gift of MR. RUSSEL JONES.

"Consideration on the Slavery Question, Addressed to the President of the United States, New York, December 24th, 1862." The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

"Exercises in Commemoraticn of the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of Abraham Lincoln," *Columbia University*, 1909. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

Facsimile of Lincoln's Letter to Mrs. Bixby. The gift of BERRY BROTHERS.

"Father Abraham," by Ida M. Tarbell. (*The American Magazine*, Feb., 1909.) The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

"Greeley on Lincoln, with Mr. Greeley's Letters,"

by Joel Benton, New York, 1893. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

"History and Evidence of the Passage of Abraham Lincoln from Harrisburg, Pa., to Washington, D. C., on the 22nd and 23rd of Feb., 1861," Chicago: *Pinkerton's National Detective Agency*, 1906. The gift of MR. RUSSEL JONES.

"How Abraham Lincoln Became President," by J. McCan Davis, Springfield, Ill., 1908. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

"In Lincoln's Honor," by J. B. Oakleaf. (*Augustana Observer*, March, 1909.) The gift of the AUTHOR.

"Later Life and Religious Sentiments of Abraham Lincoln," by J. A. Reed. (*Scribner's Magazine*, July, 1873.)

"Letter and Short Poem on the Death of Abraham Lincoln," by B. B. French, Albany, 1870. The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

"Letter to His Excellency Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States," by Peter Cooper, New York, *n. d.* The gift of MR. JUDD STEWART.

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Richard Mitchell Smoot, Clinton, Mass., 1908. The gift of ORRA L. STONE.

No. 76 of 100 copies of this exceedingly curious document, privately printed for Mr. Stone, being a reprint of the first edition all but five of which were destroyed in the Baltimore fire of 1904.

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Started in 1852 as a Democratic organ this paper in the excitement growing out of the Missouri Compromise became Republican. The Lincoln-Douglas debates are fully reported in its columns, the Alton debate, the seventh and last in the series, being given verbatim, and the demonstrations accompanying it dramatically described. The editorial of October 15th begins "We feel good—we do. Not even the terrible thrashing LINCOLN will give DOUGLAS to-day, can add to our happiness."

"The Baptist Helmet," "Fayette Yeoman," "Fayette County Democrat," "Illinois State Register," "The Age of Steam," and "Vandalia Free Press," all published at Vandalia; "The Western Pioneer," and "Illinois Temperance Advocate," published at Alton; "The Illinoian," and "Western Star," published at Jacksonville; the "Nashville Journal," published at Nashville, Washington County, Ill.; and "The Belleville Advocate," published at Belleville, are some of the newspapers in a collection given by MR. E. M. ASHCRAFT.

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The first newspaper published in Chicago. Its first volume issued 1833 by John Calhoun is one of the Society's most treasured possessions. Purchased by John Wentworth in 1836, two months after his arrival in Chicago, he being at that time twenty-one years old, was continuously published by him until 1861 when it was merged in the *Chicago Tribune.* Try as the writer might it has been impossible to pass from this old Chicago newspaper without further comment, for it is the best link we have between the present and the past. Nowhere is this more in evidence than in the advertisements as the following names in 1844 will show:

"Thomas Hoyne, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, Galena, Ill."; "Scammon & Judd, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, Exchange Building Chicago"; "Richard J. Hamilton, Counsellor and

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Attorney at Law, Office immediately opposite the Post Office, on Clarke Street"; "C. Follansbe, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Groceries, Liquors, Country Produce &c., Dearborn Street"; "Newberry and Dole, Storage, Forwarding and Commission Merchants, North Water Street"; "A. G. Burley & Co., Importers and Dealers in China, Glass, Earthenware and Looking Glasses, 105 Lake Street"; "Doct. P. Maxwell, late of the U. S. Army, having become a citizen of Chicago offers his services in all the several branches of his profession, Office corner of Lake and Clark Streets"; "Dentistry—Doct. Wm. H. Kennicott, Surgeon Dentist"; "E. Peacock, Clock and Watch Maker, 195 Lake Street, Sign of the Watch"; "The Latest out! L. P. Sanger & Co. have just received from Leary, New York, by steamer Great Western, the Latest New York and London style of hats. We can furnish our customers with an article of exquisite fineness and beauty at New York prices"; "Scammon's Reports, vol. 3, just published by S. F. Gale & Co."

"The Crockett Almanac, 1840," vol. 2, no. 2, Nashville, Tenn.: Ben Harding.

"Der Deutsche Pionier," vol. 1-18, 1869-87, Cincinnati: *Deutchen Pionier Verein*, 1869-87. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

A monthly periodical devoted to western history.

"Gem of the Prairie," volume I., 1844-45, Chicago.

"Some time in 1842 or '43 a couple of young printers, James Beach and K. K. Jones, who were ambitous of gaining the bubble, reputation, conceived the idea of establishing a literary paper, which should 'bring out' the latest genius of Chicago and be a vehicle for it to scintillate and radiate upon the surrou ding country. Accordingly, they bought a small second-hand press, a lot of half worn small pica and long primer type, and started the *Gem of the Prairie*. It proved a taking name, and became at once popular amoung the young folks. Such then youthful writers as Wm. H. Bushnell, Jo. Vial Smith, J. K. C. Forest, Mary A. Clarkson (now wife of Louis D. Hoard) Lila F. Trask, the two daughters of the late James H. Collins, Ed. A. Guilbert, and several other boys and girls, were regular contributors to its columns." (From *Rounds' Printers' Cabinet*, April, 1879.) It was with the printing materials of the *Gem* that the Chicago *Tribune* was launched in 1847, the *Gem* being continued as a weekly, and becoming finally the *Sunday Tribune*.

"Illinois Statesman," edited by J. B. Turner, vol. I, 1843-44, Jacksonville, Ill. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

The above paper contains accounts of the beginning of the Mormon troubles in Illinois. This particular file belonged to the editor, Jonathan Baldwin Turner, who is called "The Father of Land Grant Colleges." It was out of his plan for industrial colleges that the University of Illinois grew.

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"The Lens; a Quarterly Journal of Microscopy," vols. 1-2, Chicago: *The State Microscopical Society*, 1872-73. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

"Little Fort Porcupine and Democratic Banner," vol. 1-2, 1845-47, Little Fort, Lake County, Ill. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

"In 1845 a man named A. S. Wynkoop, anxious to lampoon his enemies, bought a press and some type, took them to Little Fort, now Waukegan, and started a small sheet called the *Little Fort Porcupine*. It was Democratic, but was noted in 1846 for its bitter opposition to John Wentworth for Congress, both before and after his nomination." (From *Rounds' Printers' Cabinet*, Chicago, April, 1879.)

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Founded in 1841 by the Union Agricultural Society, among the officers of which organization were John Dean Caton, William B. Ogden, Joseph Naper, Ebenezer Peck and J. S. Wright, the latter being considered "the ablest agricultural editor of the age."

"New York Weekly Tribune," edited by Greeley & McElrath, vol. I, 1841-42, New York. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

On page five Mr. Greeley says editorially, "The first number of THE NEW YORK WEEKLY TRIBUNE is herewith presented to the public. We hope to render THE WEEKLY TRIBUNE an acceptable and interesting compend to the Literature and Intelligence of the day. We shall labor to deserve the respect of the entire reading community, especially of the WHIGS." That the first of these promises is carried out faithfully is indicated by the following: the first three columns of page one are occupied by a poem entitled "The Legend of the Haunted Tree," by Lilian; page two begins with a chapter of "Barnaby Rudge," by Boz, which the editors say "subscribers not familiar with the story will find interesting." The same number prints the following, "WESTERN COMMERCE—Loud complaints are made throughout the West of a great lack of vessels on the lakes. All the storehouses throughout that country are filled to overflowing with the products of Western Michigan, Northern Indiana and Illinois. The Buffalo Advertiser says that there is not a single good harbor on Lake Michigan." It was such complaints as this that percipitated the "Harbor and River Convention" at Chicago in 1847.

Several weeks later the paper contains a five column account of the dinner to Mr. Dickens given at the City Hotel and attended by three or four hundred citizens presided over by Washington Irving. Mr. Irving is reported to have made a brief and modest speech in

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the course of which he remarked that he "was never prouder of his country and countrymen than at this moment on seeing himself surrounded by such an array of Intellect and Worth of the City, assembled to pay a tribute of admiration to a young stranger who comes among us with no other distinction than such as his Literary career has given him. It refutes the imputation cast upon us that we are a people absorbed in money getting to see such a gathering in a season of much pecuniary embarrassment."

But politics and commerce are not crowded out entirely by literature, for every page teems with invective against Loco Focoism, and the advocacy of Henry Clay for president, while emigration, claim-jumping, taxes and the bad condition of banks form the main news concerning Illinois. An article headed "Light springing up in Illinois," however, indicates the direction from which help may be expected to correct the unwise banking methods of Southern Illinois, for it ends with the words, "The State will not repudiate its debt nor increase it. And to Northern Illinois, Chicago will in all probability be a constant market for produce."

"Western Courier," Aug. 28, Oct. 5, Nov. 5, 1812, Louisville, Ky. The gift of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT.

The first mentioned issue contains the following, "Extract from a letter from a Gentleman in Frankfort, Ky., dated Aug. 25, 1812. 'By account recd. last evening we are informed Chicago (Fort Dearborn) has been taken by a large force of Indians, and every soul (amounting to 80) butchered.'" The massacre occurred Aug. 15, and the news had been ten days in reaching Kentucky.

CHICAGO IMPRINTS.

"By-laws of Ashlar Lodge, No. 308, Free and Accepted Masons," Chicago: *Horton & Leonard*, Prs., 1864. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

"Broadsword Fencing and Stick or Quarterstaff Play," by Giuseppi Riboni, Chicago, *E. B. Meyers*, 1862.

"Catalogue of Paintings, Statuary, etc., Exhibited for the Benefit of Ladies' North-Western Fair in Aid of the Chicago Branch of the U. S. Sanitary Commission, for the Relief of Soldiers; Opened Oct. 27th, 1863, in McVicker's Theatre Building," Chicago, 1863.

"Chicago the Commercial and Financial Centre of Illinois and the Northwest," by S. H. Kerfoot, Chicago, 1861.

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CHICAGO IMPRINTS.

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Chicago Mendelssohn Club Programs, nos. 1-42, 1895 to 1909, Chicago. The gift of the CLUB through Mr. Charles Heber Strawbridge.

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"Map Showing the Burnt District in Chicago, Published for the Benefit of the Relief Fund," St. Louis: *The R. P. Studley Co., n. d.* The gift of W. I. COLLINS.

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"Genealogy of the Greenlee Families," by R. S. and R. L. Greenlee, Chicago, 1908. The gift of MR. RALPH S. GREENLEE.

"Genealogy of the Beaubien or Cuillierier Family," by Mr. C. M. Burton, of Detroit. *Ms.* The gift of the AUTHOR through Mr. Frank G. Beaubien.

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"Genealogy of John McKenzie." *Ms.* The gift of Mrs. Nellie Kinzie Gordon (Mrs. W. W. Gordon, of Savannah, Ga.)

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A hand illuminated half-title reads as follows: "This certifies that Registered Volume Number 26 was specially issued for Mrs. Mary Carver Leiter as a tribute to the memory of her husband the late Levi Z. Leiter." Following the biographies of the presidents are a portrait and sketch of the life of Mr. Leiter. Reproductions from well known portraits of all the presidents accompany the sketches, which have hand illuminated initials and numerous decorations in water-color. The volume, which is folio in size, is bound in red full Levant morocco bearing the coat-of-arms of the United States, with doublures inlaid in the national colors and is in a leather covered case.

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"Reports of Royal North-west Mounted Police," 1904-7. The gift of DR. C. B. REED.

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Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINE M. MCILVAINE,
Librarian.

On motion of Mr. Wegg, seconded by Mr. Richard Schmidt, the Librarian's Report was received and referred to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Kerfoot, at the request of President Head, reviewed briefly the principal features of the Executive Committee's Report, speaking particularly of the work of the Society during the year, its need of a larger membership, and its necessity for increased funds to enable it to publish some of its more valuable archives, and to carry out the plans which the Executive Committee has in mind. He urged the members to carefully read the Society's Year-Book, containing all of the Annual Reports, as the best means of informing themselves on the accomplishments and plans of the Society.

President Head then read from the Executive Committee's Report the paragraph stating that the Society is entirely free from debt and its Trust Funds all intact, and yielding revenue with no interest in default. He enlarged upon the necessity for more members, and urged those present to interest themselves to such an extent that each one of them might bring into the Society at least one new member.

The next order of business being the Election of New Members, the Secretary of the Meeting read the following list of those who had been recommended by the Executive Committee for election by the Society:

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Rensselaer W. Cox
Weston Arthur Goodspeed
Henry H. Porter, Jr.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

Edward Osgood Brown

The Secretary stated that Judge Brown's transfer from Annual Membership to Corresponding Membership was

made at his own request, and that he had expressed the hope that he might soon be able to resume his position as an Annual Member.

THE PRESIDENT announced that the election of members must be by ballot, and on motion of MR. DENT, seconded by DR. SCHMIDT, the Secretary of the Meeting cast the ballot of those members present for the persons recommended as above, and THE PRESIDENT declared them duly elected.

The next order of business being the Election of Officers, THE PRESIDENT stated that the officers to be elected at this meeting, were the President, two Vice-Presidents and two Members of the Executive Committee to serve for the term ending 1913, to succeed DR. SCHMIDT and GENERAL NEWBERRY.

DR. DAVIS moved that the Secretary of the Meeting cast the ballot for the members present for the election, as their own successors, of the present officers whose terms of office expire at this time. The motion being seconded by MR. FULLER, THE PRESIDENT asked if there were any other nominations, stating that he would welcome any that the members desired to make. There being none such, DR. DAVIS' motion was put to vote and unanimously carried.

The Secretary of the Meeting thereupon cast the following ballot as that of the members present, to-wit:

For President, FRANKLIN H. HEAD.
For First Vice-President, THOMAS DENT.
For Second Vice-President, LAMBERT TREE.

And for Members of the Executive Committee:
OTTO L. SCHMIDT, for the term ending 1913.
WALTER C. NEWBERRY, for the term ending 1913.

And THE PRESIDENT declared the foregoing officers re-elected.

Under the heading of New Business, GENERAL NEWBERRY of the Executive Committee asked the attention of the Meeting for a moment. He thanked the members for

the honor of his re-election to the Committee and stated that he desired "to take this opportunity to call the attention of the members to the indefatigable industry, energy and ability of the working officials of the Society, without which little could be accomplished." He called attention particularly to the Annual Reports which were printed and furnished to every member, stating that they should be carefully perused and placed in the hands of all friends of the Society. "These Reports," he said, "will give you some idea of the work done by your able and most efficient Librarian, who with untiring industry and under great difficulties has accomplished much, including picking up records, documents, etc., to supply the place of those lost in the great fire of 1871. We must also recognize the constant personal attention given to the details of the Society's work by the Chairman of the House Committee, who without compensation has also performed the duties of the Secretaryship of the Society, and to whom we are indebted for the completeness of the Annual Reports. This commendation should also include the labors of Miss Jenkins, who has so carefully kept the Society's Records and books of account." In closing, GENERAL NEWBERRY said, "We are so entirely dependent upon our members and the public to sustain and support this institution that it seems to me the only way to reach this source of support is to inform them of the Society's necessities, and its ability to preserve the Historical Records of this great state and territory from its earliest history to this day." He moved that this acknowledgment of the services above mentioned be spread upon the Minutes of the Meeting and incorporated in the Society's Records. The motion was seconded by several members and unanimously carried.

MR. FISHER arose to make a suggestion which he said he thought might work to the advantage of the Society, provided the Executive Committee deemed it practicable to put it into effect. He referred to the fact that the Society's

Building is closed on Sundays and holidays, and stated that he had several times visited the Building, in the hope of gaining admittance, on such days, but had found the doors locked. He said that he had no doubt that many members of the Society and the general public would welcome the opportunity to visit the Society's Building and view its collections on days when they had leisure from their business occupations, and he expressed the thought that the opening of the Building during reasonable hours on Sundays and legal holidays and Saturday afternoons would not only be appreciated by its members, but would tend to increase the Society's popularity and thus add to its membership. For the purpose of bringing the matter definitely before the meeting, MR. FISHER moved that the Society's Building and Collections be open to the members and their friends who care to visit it, on Sundays and holidays, including Saturday afternoons.

GENERAL NEWBERRY moved, seconded by MR. DENT, that MR. FISHER's Resolution be referred to the Executive Committee. MR. FISHER expressing his satisfaction with this course, the motion was put to vote and carried.

MR. SEIPP offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the members present and of the Society at large be tendered to the Officers for their untiring services and zealous efforts in the Society's behalf during the year just closed.

The Resolution having received several seconds, was unanimously carried.

The Librarian then briefly addressed the meeting; she said that she had been informed that at a recent meeting of the New York Historical Society, fifty new names had been added to the Society's Roll of Membership at the nomination of a single member; and stated that this example should serve as an inspiration to the members of the Chicago Historical Society. She also enumerated the several volumes

of this Society's publications which had been published through the generosity of individual members, and mentioned the titles of the several volumes and gave the names of the members who had borne the expense of their publication. She referred briefly but eloquently to the Polk Diary, which the Society owns in twenty-four original manuscript volumes, and which the Executive Committee is now making an effort to publish, and she expressed the hope that some member of the Society might be moved to supply the funds necessary for the consummation of this purpose.

There being no further business, on motion of MR. BURLEY, seconded by MR. FULLER, the meeting adjourned at half-past nine o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. KERFOOT, JR.,

Secretary of the Meeting.

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